



## Memorandum

**Date:** 2/25/2025

**Meeting of:** Committee of the Whole - Parks and Environmental Sustainability

**File No.** CM 25-106

**Type:** Committee Memo

**TO:** Committee of the Whole - Parks and Environmental Sustainability

**FROM:** Mayor Angela Birney

**DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR CONTACT(S):**

Parks	Loreen Hamilton	425-556-2336
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**DEPARTMENT STAFF:**

Parks	Darcey Rayner Shepard	Park Operations Manager
Parks	David Tuchek	Deputy Director Parks

**TITLE:**

Community Garden Update

**OVERVIEW STATEMENT:**

Update on Community Gardens

☒ **Additional Background Information/Description of Proposal Attached**

**REQUESTED ACTION:**

☒ **Receive Information**

☐ **Provide Direction**

☐ **Approve**

**REQUEST RATIONALE:**

- **Relevant Plans/Policies:**  
PARCC Plan
- **Required:**  
N/A
- **Council Request:**  
N/A
- **Other Key Facts:**  
Brief update on the Community Garden expansion at Anderson Park.

**OUTCOMES:**

Community gardens were identified as a high need in the 2017 and 2022 PARCC Plan update. These were prioritized in the 2023-2024 budget process in response to our growing community and increased demands, particularly in the downtown core. Additional garden beds were installed and opened at Juel Park for the 2024 growing season and

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planning and ordering of supplies for the Anderson Park expansion began summer 2024. The community garden at Anderson Park will be open for the 2025 growing season.

**COMMUNITY/STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH AND INVOLVEMENT:**

- **Timeline (previous or planned):**  
2022-2024
- **Outreach Methods and Results:**  
Information gathered from the 2017 PARCC Plan, the 2022 PARCC Plan update, and surveys at Derby Days.
- **Feedback Summary:**  
The feedback was overall supportive and appreciative of expansion at both locations, with downtown being an area with highest needs.

**BUDGET IMPACT:**

**Total Cost:**

Community Gardens 2023-2024 Budget: \$77,500

**Approved in current biennial budget:** ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

**Budget Offer Number:**

CIP

**Budget Priority:**

Healthy & Sustainable

**Other budget impacts or additional costs:** ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ N/A

*If yes, explain:*

N/A

**Funding source(s):**

CIP

**Budget/Funding Constraints:**

N/A

☐ Additional budget details attached

**COUNCIL REVIEW:**

**Previous Contact(s)**

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**Proposed Upcoming Contact(s)**

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
N/A	None proposed at this time	N/A

**Time Constraints:**

N/A

**ANTICIPATED RESULT IF NOT APPROVED:**

N/A

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment A- Community Garden Update