

Hollywood Community Garden

Presentation & Discussion



Current Garden

- The current Hollywood Community Garden is located behind 9900 Rhode Island Avenue.
- The site features 15 plant beds, but conditions are deteriorating. This site is not viable for continued use.
- A new location is needed for a future community garden that will bring more permanent fixtures and planting opportunities for years to come.

Planning Process thus Far

- Staff conducted site analysis on a number of potential locations, with the following in mind:
 - Property ownership: City-owned land is preferred
 - Access to utilities and ease of entry for DPW staff / vehicles
 - Available parking
 - Proximity to other amenities and recreational opportunities
- All of these considerations have led to the selection of Davis Field as staff's recommended location.
- Planning staff developed a few preliminary concepts and shared them with other City departments for input.
- With these amendments, Planning staff went before the NCPCA on February 8, 2024, to present concepts and gather community feedback.

Major Concerns Heard at NCPCA Meeting

- Availability and constraint of parking
- Preserving open play field for children
- Adjacency of mosquitos from nearby stormwater pond
- Questions on the need for a new location, additional plots, etc.
- Neighborhood security

Proposed Hollywood Community Garden @ Davis Field



- Notes**
- All plant beds are 5' x 10' (15 total)
 - There is a space of 3' between rows of plant beds
 - Proposed garden encompasses 1,460 square feet

- Proposed fence would total 212 linear feet
- Communal materials are placed at the front of the garden for easier access by DPW staff

Collaborating with Bee City USA

- Planning staff also met with representatives of the Bee City USA Committee to discuss ways we can collaborate on the project moving forward, making sure the project brings essential environmental benefits to North College Park.
- More coordination is needed moving forward, but at this stage we've discussed things like:
 - Using permaculture and pollinator plantings around the garden to further activate the space and bring additional environmental benefits

Collaborating with Bee City USA

- Partnering with the Bee City USA Committee on the community garden project will ensure that social, ecological, and logistical benefits are brought to North College Park
- Examples:

Social Benefits	Ecological Benefits	Logistical Benefits
Increased environmental equity in North College Park	Provides stormwater filtration	Native plants lower maintenance costs
Residents learn how to grow their own food	Improves drainage and soil health	Diversified habitats support wildlife and help to lower mosquito populations

Collaborating with Bee City USA

- It is possible that the Bee City USA Committee could supply the garden with native pollinator plants from their own collection, pending full committee review and approval.
- The Committee could also help the City coordinate volunteer events to assist with maintenance of the space.

Costs

Garden Implementation:

Fencing:

280 LF 8' H Galvanized Black Chain Link

Total Cost: \$9,800.00

Construction:

32 Cedar Raised Beds (4'x10'x12"H)

Total Cost: \$11,488.00

Materials:

Topsoil, Compost & Perlite

Material Cost: \$2,600.00

Grand Total: \$23,888.00

Water Service Implementation:

- Old Town WSSC Service Tap-In Cost: \$25,000.00

Cost Variations:

- Estimated between \$15,000.00 and \$30,000.00

Funding Sources

Prince George's County Community Gardens Mini Grant



The Chesapeake Bay Trust is proud to partner with Prince George's County on the Prince George's Community Gardens Mini Grant Program. This mini grant supports the creation and need for community gardens that provide resources to the Prince George's County community while supporting the Prince George's County Climate Action Plan.

What this funds: The development of new community gardens as well as the growth of existing community gardens that plan to expand regenerative practices. Please see the RFP for types of community gardens that can be supported.

Who can apply: Nonprofit organizations, Prince George's County municipalities, watershed organizations, community associations including Homeowner Associations, faith-based organizations, schools and institutions, and Green Teams.

How much can be awarded: Up to \$9,500.

Is match required? Match is encouraged, but not required.

Grant Application Process: The Chesapeake Bay Trust's grant applications are all submitted through an online system, using the "Start a New Application" button below. If you have questions regarding the application process, please contact this program's grant manager, Whitney Vong, at wwong@cbtrust.org or 410-974-2941 ext. 122.



Laurel City Community Garden: Courtesy of City of Laurel

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Program Status: **OPEN**

[Click Here to View the Request for Proposals \(RFP\)](#)

Deadline: Rolling basis. Requests are accepted on an on-going basis until funds for this fiscal year (FY24) are exhausted. Projects must be submitted at least 8 weeks prior to the project start date.

Narrative Questions

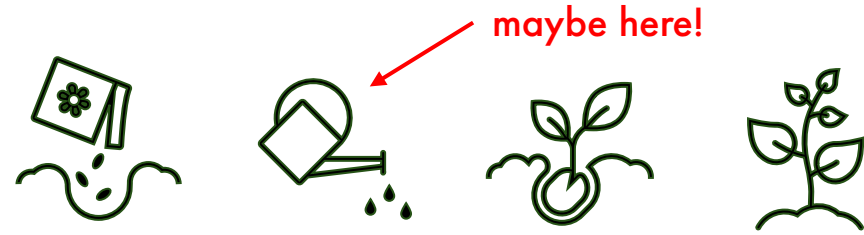
[Track 1 Questions](#)

[Track 2 Questions](#)

Start A New Application

[New Grant](#)

Where We Are Now



- Feedback from the Council is sought tonight, before the project moves along further.
- Feedback from tonight will be incorporated into the garden concept, which will then be presented again to NCPCA for a motion of support or disapproval.
- Once support is received from NCPCA, the garden will come before Council again for action.

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View of Davis Field from Iroquois Street



View of Davis Field from Kenesaw Street



Original Concept Design #1 – 3,900 square feet



Original Concept Design #2 – 3,000 square feet

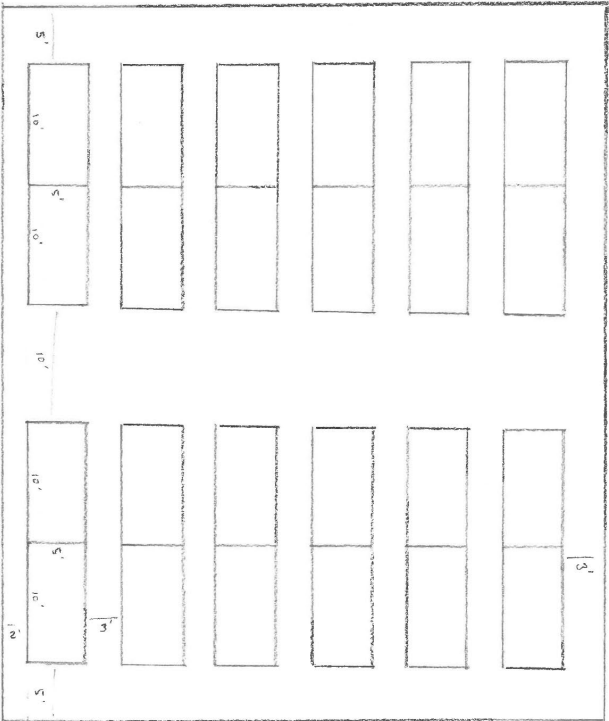
OPTION # 2 - 3,000 SQ FT.

- ALL PLOTS 5' x 10'
- 24 PLOTS
 - 2 FOR MATERIALS, 22 FOR RENT.
- LENGTH OF FENCE: 220'

1 IN = 1 FT



8' TALL FENCE



60'

50'

KENESAW ST.

Larger Garden Option



Pros:

- More plant beds for rent
- More space within the garden

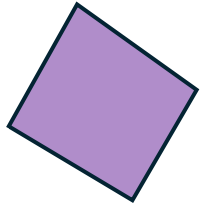
Cons:

- Larger area takes play field space from children
 - Site conditions north of existing fence will not allow a larger garden
- Higher construction and maintenance costs
- Harder for DPW staff to access garden
- Cost of implementing water line increased

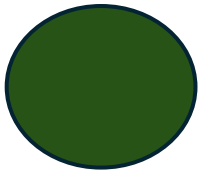
Pollinator & Permaculture Features



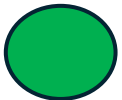
Pollinator plantings



Permaculture plantings



Large tree



Med/Sm tree
Lg bush



Med/Sm bush



Mulched path



Parking pad
(gravel)



Stormwater
drain (existing)

