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Memorandum

To: Mayor Dever and Lawrence City Commissioners
David Corliss, City Manager
From: Eileen Horn, Sustainability Coordinator
CC: Craig Weinaug, County Administrator
Date: December 3, 2013

RE: Joint City/County Food Policy Council

At the October 1, 2013 City Commission meeting, commissioners requested that the Douglas County Food Policy Council be considered a joint city/county council. This merger would recognize the significant overlap that already exists in the council's work and city programs (i.e. Common Ground community garden program), and would also allow for greater collaboration between city and county efforts to support agricultural producers, grow food sector businesses, and increase our citizens' access to healthy local food. (see [attached](#) bylaws)

On November 20, the Board of County Commissioners of Douglas County passed [Resolution 13-32](#) to establish the Douglas County Food Policy Council as a joint city/county advisory council on issues related to food policy, access to healthy food, and economic development opportunities related to the local food system.

With 23 total members, 9 of 23 appointments would be made by the City Commission, and 14 of 23 appointments made by the County Commission. This reflects a 60/40 split County/City.

Initially, three positions (two at-large appointments and one agricultural producer) would immediately be appointed by the city commission. Then, as positions become vacant in subsequent years, the city would select appointees to fill those positions. (see [page two](#) for FPC roster).

Recommendation: Consider Joint Resolution 13-32, establishing the Douglas County Food Policy Council as a joint city/county advisory body.

Joint City/County Food Policy Council member appointments:						
effective: January 2014						
23 total members. Structure result in 9/23 positions appointed by City Commission, 14/23 positions appointed by County. Approx 40/60 split City/County.						
Immediate city appointments (Jan. 2014): TWO At-Large appointments, ONE agricultural producer (all 3 year terms)						
Immediate city reappointments (Jan. 2014): These are existing FPC members asking to be reappointed.						
Immediate county appointments (Jan. 2014): Education Representative, NEW Senior Food & Nutrition Programs Rep.						
Immediate county reappointments (Jan. 2014): These are existing FPC members asking to be reappointed						
<i>Then as existing members' terms expire, the City would appoint the positions as they become vacant (in italics)</i>						
	Food System Sector:	Representing:	Current Member:	Term Expiration:	As of Jan 2014, years remaining in term:	Notes:
County	At-Large	Appointed by Jim Flory	Brenna Wulfkuhle	Dec. 2015	2	
County	At-Large	Appointed by Mike Gaughan	Dennis "Boog" Highberger	Dec. 2015	2	
County	At-Large	Appointed by Nancy Thellman	Ashley Jones-Wisner	Dec. 2015	2	
County	Agricultural Producer	Davenport Winery	Greg Shipe	Dec. 2016	3	
County	Agricultural Producer	Douglas County Farm Bureau	Diane Fishburn	Dec. 2015	2	
County	Agricultural Producer	Moon on the Meadow Farm	Jill Elmers	Dec. 2014	1	
County	Retail Food Outlet	Restaurant	Rick Martin	Dec. 2015	2	
County	Institutional Food Purchaser	USD 497	Paula Murrish	Dec. 2014	1	
County	Education			Dec. 2016	2	*staggered
County	Extension Service	Douglas County Extension	Bill Wood	Dec. 2015	2	
County	NGO- Health/Nutrition/MD	Dietitian	Carol Gilmore	Dec. 2016	3	
County	NGO- Local Food Systems/Sustainable Ag.	The Kansas Rural Center	Bob Lominska	Dec. 2015	2	
County	Youth Representative	KU Environs, OLF, Blissful Bite	Jason Hering	Dec. 2014	1	
County	NEW: Senior Food & Nutrition Programs				1	*staggered
City	NEW: At-Large (appointed by City)			Dec. 2016	3	
City	NEW: At-Large (appointed by City)			Dec. 2016	3	
City	NEW: Agricultural Producer			Dec. 2016	3	
City	Retail Food Outlet	<i>The Merc Community Market & Deli</i>	<i>Rita York Hennecke</i>	<i>Dec. 2016</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>continued</i>
City	Retail Food Outlet	<i>Hy-Vee</i>	<i>Jan Hornberger</i>	<i>Dec. 2014</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>continued</i>
City	<i>City of Lawrence Sustainability Advisory Board</i>	<i>City of Lawrence</i>	<i>Daniel Poull</i>	<i>Dec. 2016</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>continued</i>
City	<i>Food Security</i>	<i>DCCDA, Farm to Preschool</i>	<i>Emily Hampton</i>	<i>Dec. 2014</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>continued</i>
City	<i>Established Farmer's Market in Douglas County</i>	<i>Downtown Lawrence Farmers Mkt</i>	<i>Jen Humphrey</i>	<i>Dec. 2014</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>continued</i>
City	<i>Business Community</i>	<i>Lawrence Chamber of Commerce</i>	<i>Hugh Carter</i>	<i>Dec. 2016</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>continued</i>
Council Staff Liaison: Eileen Horn, Sustainability Coordinator						