## Falcon Heights Community Garden Rules and Regulations

- 1. Garden plots are assigned to one person only and are not transferable. Others may garden at your site, but the responsibility for payment of fees, cleanup and other duties at the site will be the responsibility of the individual whose name is assigned to the plot
- 2. You must tend your plot by May 30<sup>th</sup>. If the kind of plants you are growing must be planted later, weed your plot as needed before then. You are responsible for your plots for the entire season. Keep it free of weeds and harvested through end of season.
- 3. Plots that are untended or unweeded by the planting deadline are assumed abandoned and will be forfeited without a refund.
- 4. Gardeners must maintain plots (including adjacent aisles) throughout the growing season. Gardeners who do not maintain their plots will not be eligible for a plot in the following year. Gardeners will be given 2 week's notice to clean up their plot. After that time, the plot will be re-assigned or tilled in and any produce will be donated to charity.
- 5. Attend to your plot while you are away. If you plan to take a vacation or be absent for longer than a week, make arrangement with other gardeners to look after your plot while you are gone.
- 6. Gardeners understand that this is a community garden and in order for it to succeed gardener support is needed to maintain the site, manage compost, keep on top of equipment, make signs, deal with wildlife, obtain our donated transplants, plan and execute produce giveaways, help keep site picked up from debris, and plan celebrations.
- 7. **Gardeners agree to follow organic gardening principles**. I understand only fertilizers allowable under certified organic standards are permitted. I will not use fertilizers, insecticides or weed repellents that will in any way affect other plots, nor any product that is not allowable under certified organic standards.
- 8. Gardeners agree to keep the garden and garden edges free of weeds, diseased plants, insect-infested plants and over-ripe vegetables. The City of Falcon Heights will maintain the greater property.
- 9. Diseased and infected plants must be removed from the garden and disposed of properly.
- 10. Do not plant trees or shrubs. If it's woody and perennial, it's not allowed in your plot.
- 11. Be respectful, tall crops, spreading crops etc... should be planted to not shade or encroach on another garden.

- 12. **Don't bring in sand or gravel.** These materials are difficult or impossible to remove later, and the soil is already quite sandy and "well-drained".
- 13. Gardeners are expected to communicate with neighboring gardeners to work out borders, weed issues and size of plant issues. If you are not able to mitigate issues, please contact City Hall.
- 14. Gardeners will keep their garden free of garbage and litter.
- 15. Growing or using illegal substances in the garden will lead to immediate expulsion with no return of plot fee.
- 16. You are responsible for maintaining half of the *path* next to your plot. Paths must be kept clear of weeds, rocks, garden plants and other obstacles. You may use the landscaping cloth covered with wood chips to keep weeds from the path, but you may not use carpeting, roofing material or other non-organic materials on common pathways.
- 17. Gardeners need to be diligent in shutting the water off after their use. Please refrain from watering your garden with an open-ended hose. The use of a hose nozzle will conserve water and maintain sufficient water pressure for other gardeners. Additionally, if a watering ban is in effect, please comply with regulations.
- 18. Gardeners will not make any permanent changes to the garden, such as adding an underground watering system or drastically changing the fence, without permission from the City of Falcon Heights.
- 19. Gardens must be cleared and cleaned at the end of the growing season. All stakes should be pulled and piled in the designated location and the ground made ready for fall tilling by end of season. If a garden is abandoned during the year, or the gardener fails to clean up their garden in the fall, no plot will be allocated to that gardener in the following year.
- 20. Gardeners will not plant, weed, water or harvest from any other members plot without permission. Similarly, gardeners will only harvest their own crops unless given permission.
- 21. Children are welcome at the garden when accompanied and fully supervised by an adult.
- 22. Complaints, policies, and mediations are the responsibility of all gardeners with the City of Falcon Heights having final authority.
- 23. Respect everyone and their space.

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