



Department Source: Parks and Recreation

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: May 6, 2024

Re: Amendment #2 - Columbia Center for Urban Agriculture Agreement

Executive Summary

The Parks and Recreation Department is requesting City Council authorization for the City Manager to sign amendment #2 to the Columbia Center for Urban Agriculture (CCUA) agreement. The 2017 agreement between CCUA and the City of Columbia outlines the development and management of the agriculture park at Clary-Shy Community Park. Amendment #2 updates the original agreement related to CCUA responsibilities, special events at the park, the term of the agreement, use of the park name and removal of the trailer from the park property. The term of the agreement will now be extended to Dec. 31, 2039 and will be renewed automatically for 20 successive terms of one year unless one of the parties wishes to terminate the agreement. All other language associated with the 2017 amendment shall remain unchanged and in effect.

Discussion

On Dec. 4, 2017, City Council authorized the City Manager to sign an agreement with the Columbia Center for Urban Agriculture (CCUA) to develop, construct and maintain an educational agriculture park on 10-acres of Clary-Shy Community Park. Since that date, multiple construction projects have taken place to develop the agriculture park including the construction of the MU Health Care Pavilion, CCUA maintenance barn, CCUA schoolhouse, demonstration gardens, food forest, arbor, trail, playground and parking lots. On Aug. 3, 2020, City Council approved amendment #1 to the original agreement allowing CCUA staff to operate the agriculture park from a temporary trailer located on the west side of the park.

The following changes to the original agreement are proposed as part of amendment #2 to the 2017 agreement between the City of Columbia and Columbia Center for Urban Agriculture:

1. CCUA will be responsible for the construction, installation and maintenance of all agricultural features of the park including the crops, gardens, orchards, plantings and supporting amenities including a shed, fencing, chicken coop, arbor and greenhouses.
2. CCUA does not have the right to exclusive possession of any portion of the City's property and the City will have access to all spaces if needed. CCUA may lock different facilities located at the park and agrees to provide keys to parks and recreation staff.
3. CCUA will comply with all City ordinance, rules and regulations and will obtain all permits for special events. There will be no additional facility rental fees for use of the park for the



first 30 events each year as they are included in the rent payments from CCUA to the City.

4. The amendment includes an initial term of 15 years that will continue until Dec. 31, 2039. The agreement will then be renewed automatically for twenty successive terms of one year unless one of the parties wishes to terminate the agreement.
5. Unless waived by the City's Parks and Recreation Director, CCUA agrees to include the name, Clary-Shy Community Park, in all promotional materials and publicity.
6. The construction of the Community Welcome Center is scheduled to begin fall 2024, with an anticipated completion date of spring 2026. Within 6 months of the lease commencement date, CCUA will remove the double-wide trailer from Clary-Shy Community Park.

All other terms of the 2017 agreement will remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: N/A

Long-Term Impact: N/A

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Reliable and Sustainable Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Inclusive and Equitable Community, Tertiary Impact: Resilient Economy

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Livable & Sustainable Communities, Tertiary Impact: Economic Development

Legislative History

Date	Action
8/3/20	B183-20: Authorizing an amendment to the agreement with Columbia Center for Urban Agriculture, Inc. for the development and operation of an agriculture park at Clary-Shy Community Park to allow the installation of a temporary office on the west side of the park property. https://gocolumbiamo.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=4594158&GUID=57F02FE0-1162-4641-A426-2057F04FC571&Options=&Search=
12/4/17	B358-17: Authorizing an agreement with Columbia Center for Urban Agriculture, Inc. for the development and operation of an agriculture park at Clary-Shy Community Park. https://gocolumbiamo.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=3214146&GUID=A1E4D3D4-ABEA-4C17-BDAA-11B51AC2513C&Options=&Search=



City of Columbia

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9/9/16	R139-16: Authorizing a memorandum of understanding with Friends of the Farm, on behalf of Sustainable Farms & Communities Inc., Columbia Center for Urban Agriculture and Columbia Farmers Market, Inc., for fund-raising activities associated with the construction of a farmers market community center and a community agriculture garden at the Clary-Shy Park located on Ash Street. https://gocolumbiamo.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=2838026&GUID=CE50F5D5-D245-4990-B7F3-7347632FF94B&Options=&Search=
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Suggested Council Action

Approve the ordinance authorizing the City Manager to sign amendment #2 to the 2017 agreement with the Columbia Center for Urban Agriculture for the development and management of the agriculture park at Clary-Shy Community Park.