



Community Garden Agreement 2019

1. Gardeners shall lease only one plot per household until April 1.
2. Park hours are 5:00am to 11:00pm. All gardening shall occur within these hours.
3. Gardeners may begin preparing their assigned plot beginning the second Friday in March. Gardeners will receive an email prior to the second Friday in March with the lock combination.
4. Gardeners shall have their garden planted by the second weekend after the last frost date for plant zone 5b. Gardeners who reserve a plot after the frost date shall plant within two-week of their reservation date.
5. Reservations for garden plots shall begin the first Monday in February for returning gardeners, and the second Monday in February for new gardeners. Each calendar year, beginning the second Monday in February, garden plot reservations are available on a first-come, first-served basis until available garden plots are booked. Once all garden plots are reserved, the City shall establish a waiting list.
6. The season ends the first Sunday in November. Gardeners shall remove all annual plant materials, weed blocks, tools and cages unless specific arrangements have been made. Failure to complete end of the season cleanup shall result in forfeiture of your ability to pre-reserve a garden plot the following season.
7. Flowers may be planted on the inside edge of the surrounding fence to help beautify the community garden. Flowers that may be planted are sunflowers, lavender, gaillardia, coneflower, day lilies, daffodils, tulips and mums, just to name a few (to determine suitability of flowers not on this list, please call 942-7529 or email parksrec@ci.richland.wa.us). If you choose to place flowers along the fence line, you are responsible for maintaining the flowers.
8. If you witness or experience garden theft or vandalism, please call the Police Department Non-Emergency number at 628-0333. Due to the open nature of the parks and garden site, the City of Richland is not responsible for vandalism, the loss of garden products, tools or equipment.
9. Maintenance of waterlines and surrounding park grounds shall be the responsibility of the Parks and Public Facilities. Please call 942-7529 or email parksrec@ci.richland.wa.us.
10. Access to water shall be by the hose bibs within the community garden area. Gardeners are responsible for providing hoses and bib key to turn the water on and off. Keys may be purchased at most hardware stores.
11. Registered gardeners are responsible to notify the City with any contact information changes. Changes should be reported to the City at 942-7529.
12. The Community Gardens are City parks. Therefore, all park rules must be followed. RMC 9.22.070 Failure to do so shall result in forfeiture of garden plot with no refund of fees.
 - Smoking and/or drinking alcohol within or near the garden area are prohibited.
 - Gardeners are responsible for the removal of all personal trash, including broken cages. Garbage cans are not provided by the City.
 - Dogs must be on leash or at heel within two feet at all times. RMC 7.03.050

Community Garden Rules and Responsibilities

- Gardeners shall maintain a weed free plot as well as the area immediately surrounding their plot by way of consistent ongoing maintenance.
- Those who do not maintain a weed free plot or who have not tended to their plot for more than seven days shall be contacted via email/mail, or by phone. If the plot is not brought into compliance within seven days of contact, the space shall be forfeited and made available to another community member. In the case of noncompliance, fees are not refundable.
- A secondary breach of rules shall result in automatic termination of the agreement and loss of the garden plot. All plant will be removed from garden plot by Parks & Recreation staff and made available to another community member.
- Gardeners who must abandon their plot for any reason shall notify the Parks and Public Facilities Department. Please call 942-7529 or email parksrec@ci.richland.wa.us.
- Gardeners must be present within the community garden area at all times while watering. Irrigation of any kind shall not be left unattended.
- Gardeners are responsible for additional cultivating, fertilizing, weeding, watering, litter pick-up, end of season clean up and all other care their plots require.
- Gardeners shall not use pesticides, insecticides or weed repellents that will in any way affect other plots. Use of raw human or animal waste is not allowed due to environmental and health concerns. Fully composted manures such as steer and chicken manure are allowed.
- The Community Garden Program is to be used for recreational gardening and for vegetables and flowers for personal and family use. Gardening for commercial gain is not allowed, nor are illegal plants and plants on the State of Washington's Noxious Weed list. In addition, growing of corn is prohibited.
- No tires allowed at the garden sites.
- Gardeners shall respect other gardeners and stay out of other garden plots whether used or not, unless previous arrangement has been made with current gardener or the City.
- Children must be supervised at all times.
- Gardeners are responsible for supplying all tools and other gardening equipment.
- Gardeners shall not use power tools, weed eaters or tillers.

ASSUMPTION OF RISK, WAIVER AND RELEASE

I am fully aware of the special dangers and risks inherent in this activity, including but not limited to, the risk of serious physical injury, other harmful consequences, even death, that may arise or result directly or indirectly to me from my participation in this activity. Being fully informed as to these risks and in consideration of my being allowed to participate in City sponsored activities, I hereby assume all risk of injury, damage, liability and harm to myself arising from such activities. I also hereby individually and on behalf of my heirs, executors and assigns, release and hold harmless the City of Richland, their officials, employees and agents and/or property owners and waive any right of recovery that I might have to bring a claim or lawsuit against

them for any personal injury, death, or other consequences occurring to me arising out of my occupancy and/or use of the community garden program.

I have read and received a copy of the Community Garden Agreement and agree to comply with the rules stated within.

Signature _____ Date _____



REGISTRATION FORM	
Printed Name: _____	
Address: _____ City: _____	
Phone: _____ E-mail: _____	
I am interested in the McMurray Garden Grant Opportunity: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

Plot Location:

North Richland: McMurray Garden Stevens/Jadwin Triangle Garden
South Richland: Venus Garden

Plot Size Fees:

5' x 10' 10' x 10' 10' x 15' 10' x 20'
\$25 per season \$30 per season \$40 per season \$50 per season

McMurray Garden Grant Opportunity Fees (Must meet specific requirements):

5' x 10' 10' x 10' 10' x 15' 10' x 20'
\$0 per season \$0 per season \$0 per season \$0 per season

Reserving a garden plot shall be done in person through Parks and Public Facilities Department, Recreation Division at 500 Amon Park Drive, during business hours. Your requested plot size will be considered and assigned based on available space.

Office Use Only - CLASS#: McMurray - CDBG: Yes No
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