



MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 15, 2019

TO: Pompano Beach CRA Board

THRU: Gregory P. Harrison, Executive Director
Nguyen Tran, Director

FROM: Danielle Sabat, CRA Project Coordinator

RE: Community Garden Operator Service Contract

Background:

The CRA contracted with the Fruitful Field Inc. on July 18, 2017 to establish and oversee the operations of the Patricia Davis Community Garden ("Garden") located at 1089 NW 6th Ave.

To ensure the sustainability of the Garden, the CRA would like to maintain a contract with the Fruitful Field, Inc., to provide professional management services ensuring the sustainability and success of the Garden. They will continue to provide the operational components as outlined in the scope of services including; 1) The community plots for individuals and families in the neighborhood, 2) Shared herb & flower plots and fruit trees, 3) The urban farm rows focused on producing seasonal vegetables, 4) Social community events focused on education, gardening and healthy eating/cooking, and 5) Youth training, volunteer, and employment opportunities.

A paid, local apprentice is learning the basics of urban farming and helping community members to maximize their own garden. Upon his successful completion of the two-year apprenticeship program, the intent is for the Apprentice to take over operations and management of the community garden and for The Fruitful Field to withdraw.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval of the contract with The Fruitful Field, Inc.