



Planning and Building Department

COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM

TO: CHAIR AND MEMBERS DATE: 2016 June 1
ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

FROM: DIRECTOR PLANNING AND BUILDING FILE: 17000 30


SUBJECT: BURNABY BIG BEND TOUR

At its meeting of 2009 February 2, Council endorsed the conclusions and actions arising from the Willard Street and Meadow Avenue public 'neighbourhood development' process. One of the actions referenced in this report was to "initiate a walking/driving tour of market gardens in the Big Bend area". This memo reports back on this action. Since that time, staff have worked with Burnaby Food First, Burnaby's community food security coalition, and Tourism Burnaby to develop the Tour.

The first edition of the Tour, see *Appendix 1*, attached, includes nine market garden, nursery or farm locations in the Big Bend including several in the Willard Street / Meadow Avenue area. The self-guided Tour was launched via media release issued by Burnaby Food First just prior to the 2016 Victoria Day long weekend. The resource is available online on the City's website (under the 'Food Security' page), on the Burnaby Food First blog (burnabyfoodfirst.blogspot.ca), and will shortly be available on the Tourism Burnaby webpage (www.tourismburnaby.com).

The nine locations were selected based on their willingness to participate and on whether the operation in question had some public facing element (e.g. market store). Additional locations meeting these criteria will be added to future iterations of the Tour as requests are received.

Staff will also be working on an interactive version of the Tour that would be linked to the Burnaby webmap.


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Attachment

cc: City Manager
City Clerk

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1 GardenWorks Mandeville
4746 Marine Drive

At GardenWorks our goal is to offer the same great selection of products and services at each of our stores (in the Lower Mainland and on Vancouver Island) while also incorporating some of the unique flavour and characteristics of the local neighbourhood. Stop by this location to see the wide selection of plants and gardening supplies, or visit our tasty cafe!

604-434-4111
<http://www.gardenworks.ca/>



2 Sun Tai Sang Farm
4806 Marine Drive

You'll find lots of fresh local vegetables and fruit at our 80 year old family farm. Plus a large variety of vegetable starters, perennials, bedding plants and more.

604-434-3663
<http://suntalsangfarm.com/>



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Wing Wong's Nursery
4892 Marine Drive

Your one-stop shop for nursery and bedding plants - including vegetables! All grown on our family run farm.



604-433-5685
<https://www.facebook.com/WingWongFarm/>

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Hop on Farms
5624 Marine Dr.

We offer a wide selection of local fruits and vegetables - many grown on site!



604-433-9550
<https://www.facebook.com/HopOnFarms/>

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Burnaby and Region Allotment Garden
7528 Meadow Avenue

We are western Canada's largest allotment gardens. We grow healthy vegetables, berries and flowers on fourteen acres of farmland. Call us today to arrange your visit and find out who we are and what we grow!



604-842-8571
<http://baraga.ca/>
directors@baraga.ca

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Leong's Nursery
7487 Meadow Avenue

Visit us to check out the vast selection of perennials, annuals and vegetable starters available!



604-438-8860
<http://leongsnursery.com/>

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It's About Thyme Nursery Ltd
7509 Meadow Ave.

A quaint boutique nursery tucked away in South Burnaby. We specialize in perennials, shrubs, grasses, groundcovers, and specimen trees. Come and get inspired by a stroll through our nursery!



604-434-0766
www.itsaboutthyme.ca

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Urban Digs Farm
4992 Byrne Rd

Bring the whole family and make an afternoon of it. Bring a picnic, feed the animals, shop the market and get involved in your local food system! While you are here, we'd be happy to show you around so you can meet the animals, see the fields & ask us any questions you might have about where your food comes from.



778-379-5262
<http://www.urbandigsfarm.com>
URBAN DIGS FARM
8888 L.L.Rd. #200

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Common Ground Community Farm
7354 North Fraser Way

Common Ground Community Farm operates under the Community Shared Agriculture (CSA) model. CSA is a social model that connects you to your food, your land, your farmer and your community. Stop by to learn more!



www.commongroundfarmers.com

Did you know that Burnaby has some of the most productive farm land in the region? Did you know that there are a number of active farms, and related businesses, in South Burnaby that you can visit? At last count, 43 farms were in operation in Burnaby, growing everything from cranberries to zucchini!

Take the whole family along on this self-guided tour of some of the agriculture sights of Burnaby's Big Bend. Visit Burnaby's 'Country in the city' to shop for fresh local produce, tour impressive greenhouses, meet some farm animals, and try some tasty treats - all close to home!

Note: Some locations are open seasonally. Please call ahead or check the website before visiting.

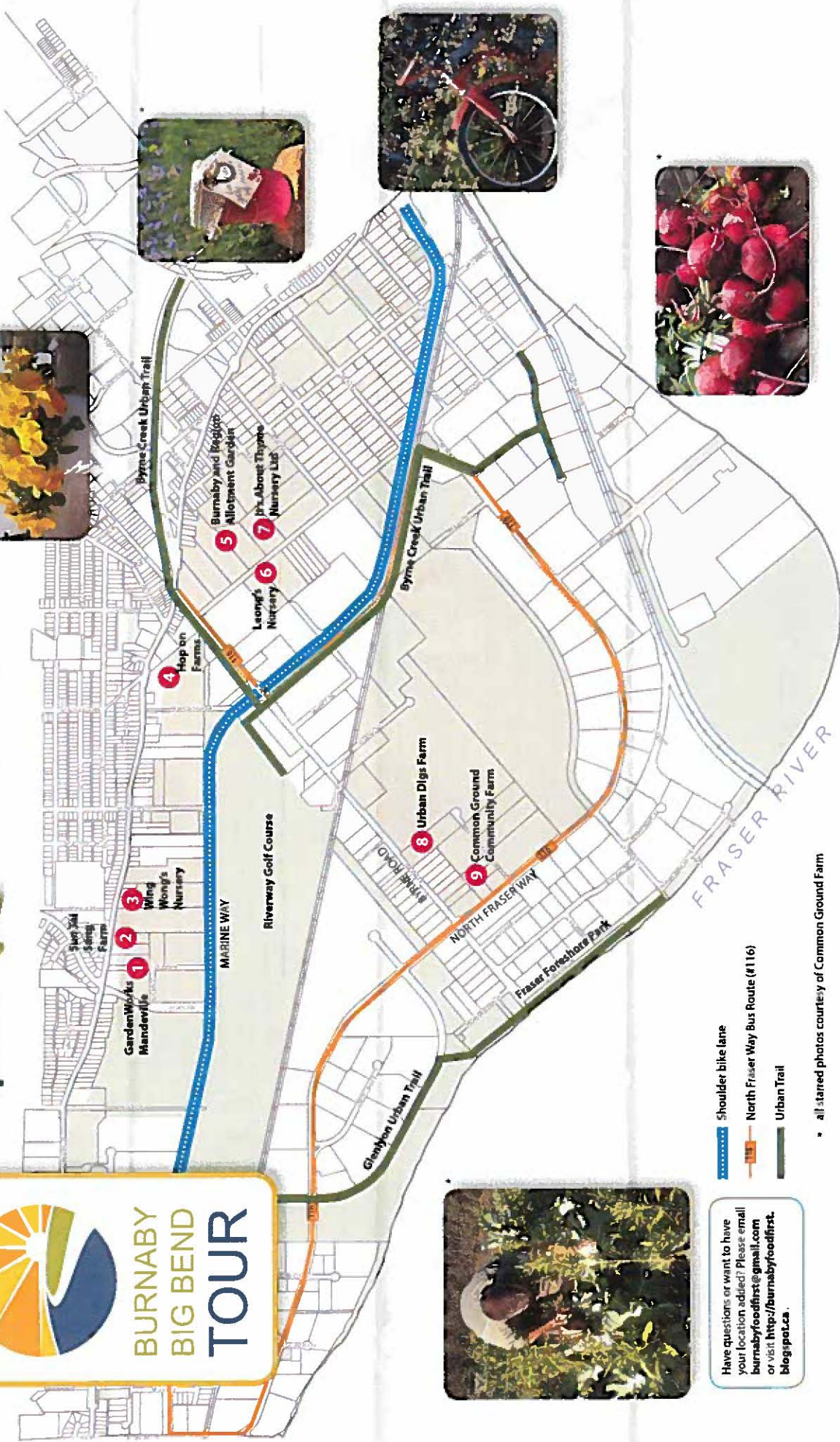




BURNABY BIG BEND TOUR



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Shoulder bike lane

North Fraser Way Bus Route (#116)

Urban Trail

* all starred photos courtesy of Common Ground Farm

Have questions or want to have your location added? Please email burnabyfoodfirst@gmail.com or visit <http://burnabyfoodfirst.blogspot.ca>.