



Report to Council

Report Number: REP-PW-02-2025

Subject: Development of a community garden

Date of the meeting: March 24, 2025

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Approval: Pierre Leroux, Chief Administrative Officer

In agreement with the recommendation based on the contents of this report.

Recommendation

Be it resolved that the Council approve, in principle, the use of the municipal property located at 135 Herbert Street for the development of a community garden led and managed by the community in Limoges, and that the administration be authorized to work on the development of a formal agreement once the volunteer group is registered as an official organization.

Financial Considerations

The volunteer group commits to funding the development of this project, including drilling a well and other necessary installation.

Financial implications have been verified with annual budget and / or approved applicable policy or by-law: NOT APPLICABLE IN 2025.

Context

The presentation of February 24, 2025, for the creation of a community garden in Limoges.

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The municipality owns a garage at 135 Herbert Street, 1.1 acres, (Pt. Lot 30, Concession 2, roll# 001-002-11000-0000) which is used by the Public Works department. This property appears large enough to allow for the development of a community garden.

However, we request that no trees be planted on this land. It would be prudent to notify our insurance provider about this project on municipal land to check if any restrictions apply. Please be advised that the installation of beehives or buildings housing animals within the community garden would require a zoning by-law amendment if located in a residential area. Therefore, we recommend that for this phase of the project, the volunteer group confirm with the Planning Department the regulations to follow.

Finally, we recommend that an agreement be drafted outlining a detailed project timeline, as well as responsibilities for the management and long-term maintenance of the community garden.

Relevance to priorities: n/a

Communication Plan: n/a

Attachments: Presentation and letter of the group Community Garden Project