



Annual Report Presentation 2018-2019

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- Michael Banner*
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- Tembila Covington
- Melinda Hash
- Scott Andree Bowen, Vice Chair
- Jennifer Filipowski
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- Sydney Richardson

Special thanks to Regina Hall, the members of the Winston-Salem City Council, and the City of Winston-Salem staff for their support of our committee.



Duties of the Council

1. Develop strategies to address food access needs in food desert;
2. Solicit external support for food-related initiatives;
3. Support and encourage programming related to food, nutrition, cooking, gardening, and other topics;
4. Devise strategies to increase retail options in food deserts;
5. Work collaboratively with Forsyth Foodworks on strengthening the local food system;
6. Serve as a forum for discussing food issues;
7. Make recommendations for enhancing the use/operation of food-focused city facilities, including the Fairgrounds Farmer's Market and the Liberty Street Vendor's Market;
8. Educate members of the community about the importance of healthy, fair and sustainable local food;
9. Explore ways to encourage and promote food-based entrepreneurship; and undertake such duties as may be requested by the mayor and city council.



Activities & Accomplishments

#Indicates alignment with assigned duty of council



- Breakfast in Class “BIC” action team in partnership with THINK ORANGE^{1,8}



- Reviewed process on the Vacant Lot program for Urban Agriculture^{4,9}

- Secured racial equity grant from the Community Food Strategies Network^{1,3,6}



- Developed community resources, including listing of local Farmer’s Markets^{1,4, 7, 8, 9}

- Co-hosted Food Summit with Foodworks^{5, 6}



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- Held first Urban Farmer's Forum at the Cooperative Extension Center^{1,2,6,9}
- Various conferences, commission meetings and related policy analysis (No Kid Hungry NC, NC Industrial Hemp, USDA meeting on Farm Bill)^{1,9}
- Cultivated partnership with Habitat for Humanity in donating land for urban agriculture purposes²
- Reviewed state and regional policies; policy recommendations relevant to urban farmers⁹



Recommendations

- Structural and aesthetic improvements to the Fairgrounds Farmer's Market

- Adoption of a Good Food Purchasing Program



Future Directions & Goals

- **Work directly on issues that are relevant to equity:**

Food equity

Interconnections between fair housing & food equity

- Vendor license pop-up workshops
- Urban Farmer's Co-Op
- Liberty Street Market
- Policy analysis of 2012 Chicken, Fowl & Pigeon Policy
- Quarterly presentation to City Council
- Organic Protocol



Thank you

