

FAIRBURN COMMUNITY GARDEN PLAN

ARC's Community Development Assistance Program

Community Meeting
February 22, 2022



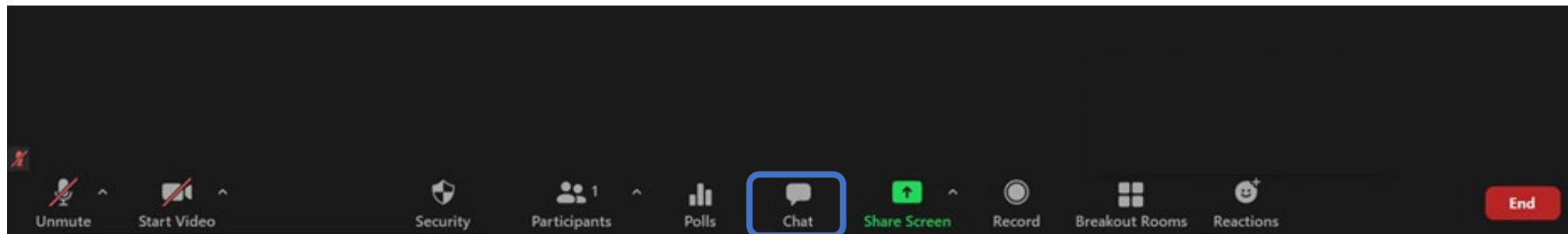
MEETING PURPOSE & FORMAT

- Purpose
 - Provide information about the project
 - Encourage community members to participate in survey
 - Gather community input to inform strategy and next steps
 - Keep in touch with potential garden club members
- Meeting format
 - Polling questions so everyone can participate
 - Brief Q&A
 - Online survey for in-depth feedback

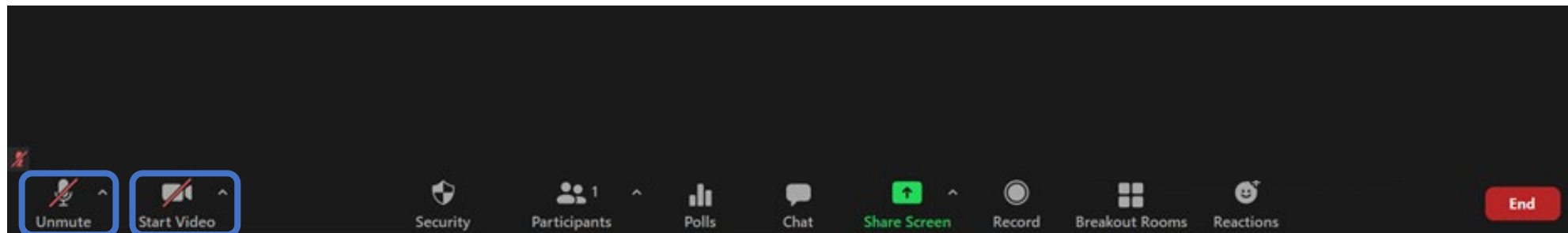


HOW TO PARTICIPATE: ZOOM

1. Add questions and comments in the chat function.



2. Unmute yourself to ask questions or provide comments.

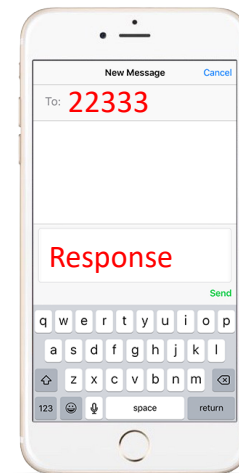


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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

- A program providing technical assistance from the Atlanta Regional Commission
 - The regional planning agency for the 11-county metropolitan region
- Access to healthy foods is a CDAP priority area
- Several projects are chosen each year based on quality of project, addressing priority area(s), and local support
- Project sponsor is City of Fairburn

PROJECT DETAILS

- Look at other community gardens and listen to community feedback to produce community garden recommendations and best practices for Fairburn
- Use community preferences from survey to recommend garden elements and preferred sites within Fairburn
- Receive feedback and input from City of Fairburn staff, project steering committee members, and community members
- Final report with strategy for implementing and sustaining a successful community garden program
- Report completion in August 2022



ONLINE SURVEY

<https://publicinput.com/FairburnGarden>

- Rank visual elements of the garden like planter material, public art, amenities, and seating
- Share your thoughts on where you'd like to see a community garden located
- Sign up for updates if you're interested in becoming a garden club member



FENCING & GATE ACCESS

The fence and gate design will set the tone for the garden. While it should be compatible with Fairburn's built environment, it should also help to visually distinguish the garden from the surrounding area.

Please rank the following fence and gate designs from most to least desired.



PLANTING BEDS

The material of the planting beds will drive **cost**, but also **maintenance requirements**. Wood is the least expensive material to install but requires more regular maintenance and replacement, while brick and stone are the most expensive but require little to no maintenance.

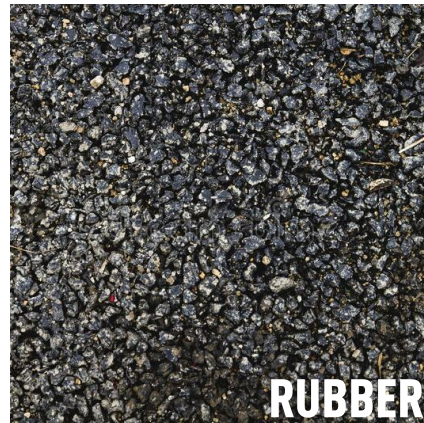
Please rank the following planting bed materials from most to least desired.



PATHS & WALKWAYS

The path and walkway material will drive **cost**, but also determine **accessibility**. While dirt and mulch are the least expensive, materials like rubber and concrete would provide the highest level of accessibility.

Please rank the following path and walkway materials from most to least desired.



GATHERING SPACES

Though not the primary purpose of the garden, gathering spaces will further **center the garden within the community** and help **foster social interaction** among residents. Benches and picnic tables provide spaces for residents to comfortably socialize, while outdoor classrooms and amphitheaters create spaces for education and entertainment.

Please rank the following types of gathering spaces from most to least desired.



ACCESSORY ELEMENTS

Accessory elements, from storage sheds to rainwater barrels, will increase the garden's **functionality** and **usefulness**. Determining the greatest immediate needs will help to prioritize their installation.

Please rank the following types of gathering spaces from most to least desired.



SHADE STRUCTURES

Shade structures will provide **relief from the elements** while working in the garden. Umbrellas and tents are less expensive and more mobile, while pergolas and pavilions, though more expensive, provide additional protection and require less maintenance.

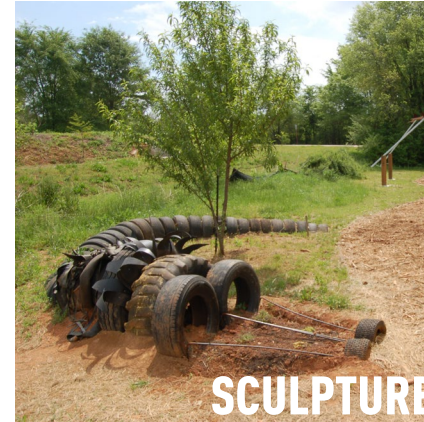
Please rank the following accessory elements from most to least desired.



PUBLIC ART

Art will help to make the garden a truly **unique space** and create a **destination** for residents and visitors alike. While murals and sculptures are commonly installed, interactive and functional art – art that is incorporated into elements such as benches and bike racks – create an more immersive experience.

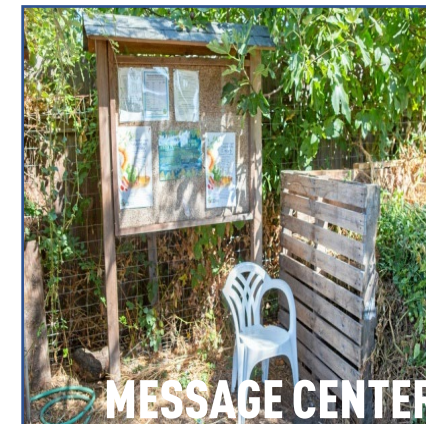
Please rank the following types of public art from most to least desired.



SIGNAGE

The installation of signs, from a **welcome sign** at the entrance to a **message center** for community use, will help **orient** regular users and first-time visitors alike. Determining the greatest immediate needs will help to prioritize their installation.

Please rank your preference for when each sign should be installed in the garden.



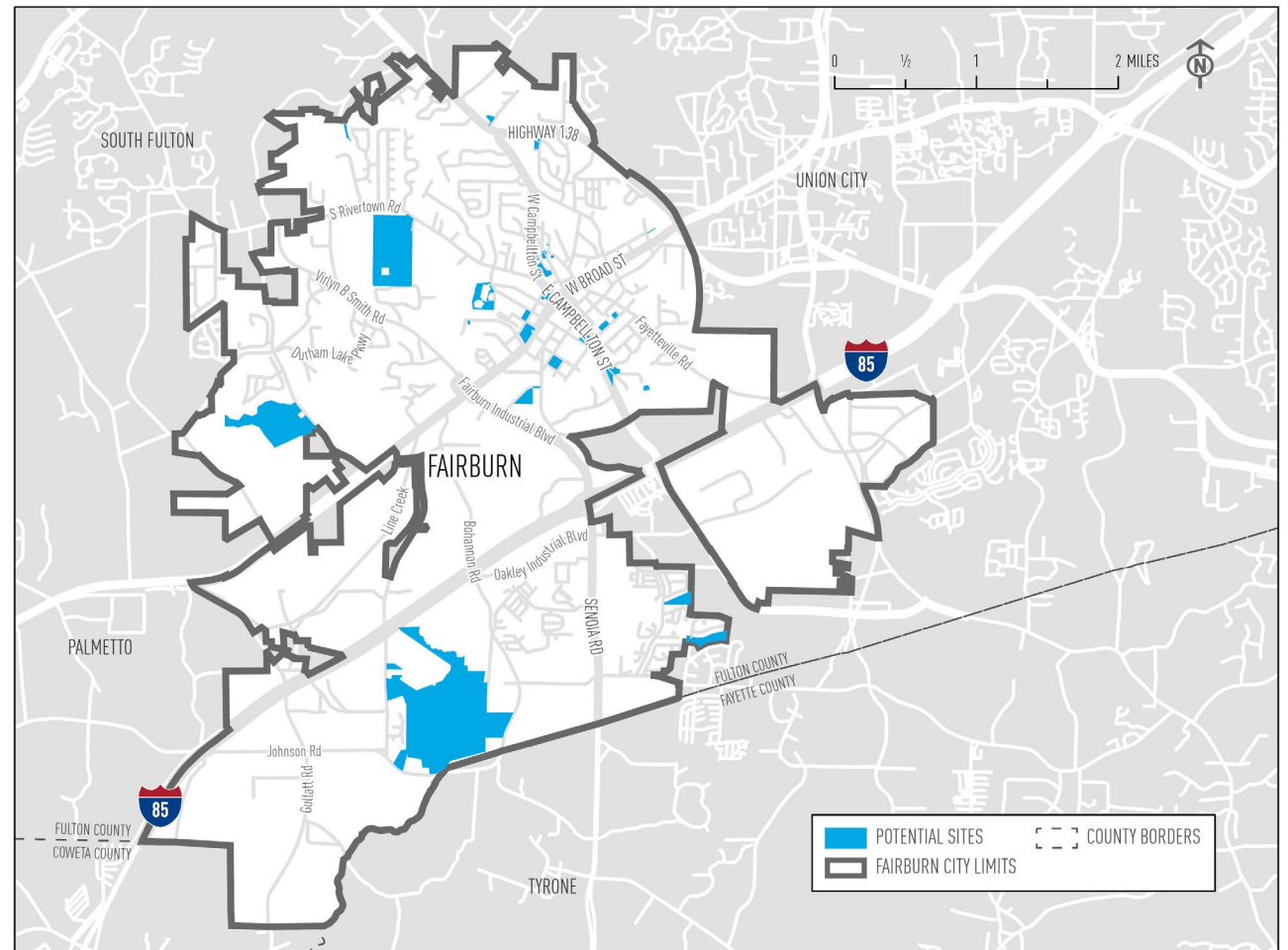
ORCHARDS & FOODSCAPING

Orchards and foodscaping – integrating edible plants into ornamental landscapes at the entrance and periphery – can be in addition to conventional garden beds. Determining the community’s desire for orchards and foodscaping will help to prioritize their installation.



IDEAS FOR SITES

- Focus on properties owned by City of Fairburn
- Using existing greenspace/park
- Map at right shows potential sites
- Survey: use map or type your suggestion to share your ideas for sites





POLL QUESTIONS

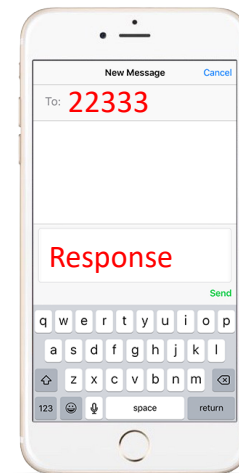


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Any garden amenities not included in the survey that you would like to see?

Which City park do you visit most often and why?

When poll is active, respond at pollev.com/cdev555

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How would you prefer to access a community garden if you were a member?

Drive and park

Walk

Bike

Rideshare

Why do you want to get involved with community gardening?

Questions about the project?



GET INVOLVED



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SIGN UP FOR UPDATES

<https://publicinput.com/FairburnGarden>

Enter your first name, email, and any other information you are comfortable providing, and you will be contacted once the program is underway.

Visual Preference Survey

Potential Sites

Comments

Stay in Touch

Add your contact information if you'd be interested in being a community garden club member!

First Name *

First Name

Last Name

Last Name

Name

Name

Phone

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Street Address

Address

Zip

Zip

Email *

Email Address

Opt-in to be contacted about community garden opportunities.

Submit



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