



## Legislation Details (With Text)

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**Title:** To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to amend an existing Lease Agreement with St. Stephens Community House Aquaponics Program area for urban agriculture. (\$0.00)

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This ordinance authorizes the Director of the Recreation and Parks Department to amend the lease for the St. Stephens Community House Aquaponics Program area for urban agriculture.

**Background:** The lease with Recreation and Parks is in effect until 2053. St. Stephens has requested the leased property extension to grow their aquaponics program in raising fish and vegetable for the community. The Recreation and Parks Department met with St. Stephens to review the area need for expansion and have agreed the urban agriculture benefit is a significant health and economic asset to the Linden area. St. Stephens maintains the leased area and provides all permitting and necessary logistical information to City and State agencies for their programmed use of the space.

This agreement will further the mission of the Recreation and Parks Master Plan by continuing to foster community partnerships as well providing educational experiences to the Recreation Center programs. Growing food educational opportunities and encouraging farm to table opportunities to make fish and vegetables available to the immediate and surrounding communities.

**Principal Parties:**

St. Stephens Community House  
1500 E. 17th Ave.  
Columbus, OH 43215  
614-294-6347

**Fiscal Impact:** Not applicable.

To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to amend an existing Lease Agreement with St. Stephens Community House Aquaponics Program area for urban agriculture. (\$0.00)

**WHEREAS**, St. Stephens Community House desires to expand the leased property in order to grow their aquaponics program in raising fish and vegetables for the community; and

**WHEREAS**, this amendment will further the mission of the Recreation and Parks master plan by continuing to foster community partnerships as well as providing educational experiences; and

**WHEREAS**, it has become necessary in the usual daily operation of the Recreation and Parks Department to authorize the Director to amend an existing Lease Agreement with St. Stephens Community House Aquaponics Program area for urban agriculture;

**NOW, THEREFORE,**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:**

**SECTION 1.** That the Director of Recreation and Parks is hereby authorized to amend the existing Lease Agreement with St. Stephens Community House Aquaponics Program area for urban agriculture.

**SECTION 2.** That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for all contracts or contract modifications associated with this legislation.

**SECTION 3.** That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.