



September 8, 2008

Dear Naperville Gardener,

We understand that there's some uncertainty among our gardening community regarding the Caroline Martin Mitchell discussions, the concepts that have been presented, and the assumed impact to the current Garden Plots. First of all, we want you to know that the Naperville Park District is committed to keeping you informed of any development concerning the Garden Plots and surrounding property. And, we will notify you of any additional public feedback opportunities should they become available.

At the September 11, 2008 Park Board meeting, the Park District Board intends to discuss a recent request received by School District 203. District 203 has formally sought the Park District's assistance in soliciting additional community input related to the potential development and future use of the garden plots area. Additionally, Park District staff is asking for direction from the Board related to the Park District's participation in implementing a community input process to explore this matter further.

Also at the September 11th meeting, the Park Board will have an opportunity to review and comment on the Caroline Martin Mitchell Master Campus Plan, similar to the opportunity afforded to City Council at their meeting on August 19, 2008. It is important to note that no decision has yet been made regarding any changes to the garden plots area. No such recommendations would be made until after additional resident input is received.

As a garden plots stakeholder, you are certainly welcome to attend this Thursday's Park Board meeting, which is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in Council Chambers at the City Municipal Center located at 400 S. Eagle Street. Members from the public will have the ability to speak on any agenda item for up to 3 minutes. A copy of the Board agenda is available on the Park District website at www.napervilleparks.org.

In the event that the Park Board decides to implement a community input process to further explore garden plot opportunities, our garden plot users will be notified regarding the process as well as details on additional opportunities for the public to provide their input.

Thank you for your interest in the Naperville Park District.

Sincerely,

The Naperville Park District

