



# CITY OF ST. PAUL

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## URBAN AGRICULTURE APPLICATION

File #: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Received \_\_\_\_\_

**The following must be submitted for your application to be considered complete:**

- Include:
- A) A site plan showing the location of all growing plots, structures, and fencing.
  - B) A soil lead test showing that lead levels are less than 100 parts per million or you must have raised planting beds with soil barriers and clean, imported soil.

### APPLICANT

(Main contact person for project)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### PROPERTY OWNER

(If different than the applicant)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### PROJECT

Project name / description: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Project address / Location: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Farmers Market-Number of vendors: \_\_\_\_\_

If you are a religious institution you may have certain rights under RLUIPA. Please check this box if you identify as a religious institution.

Applicant's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

\*There is a filing fee of \$32 for review of a site plan.

## Urban Agriculture

Definition: "Principal use of land for production of food or horticultural crops to be harvested, sold, or donated." (Zoning Code Sec.65.771)

-If your site plan shows an area greater than 1 acre, the [keeping of bees](#), or a temporary structure covering an area greater than 120 square feet, you will be responsible for obtaining the correct [permits](#) from the City of Saint Paul.

-Applicants can have soil lead tests done for \$16 through the University of Minnesota. Visit <http://soiltest.cfans.umn.edu/testing-services> for more information.

-Applicants using or producing compost, refer to our [compost regulations](#).

-All applicants are subject to obeying exterior property areas regulations found in the property maintenance code Sec. 34.08 and the nuisance ordinance Sec. 45.03.

### **Sec. 34.08. Exterior property areas.**

- (1) *Sanitation.* All exterior property areas shall be maintained free from any accumulation of garbage, mixed municipal solid waste, animal feces or refuse.
- (3) *Ground cover.* Every residential premises shall be maintained in a condition to control erosion, dust and mud by suitable landscaping with grass, trees, shrubs or other planted ground cover, or by suitable paving or by other means as shall be approved by the enforcement officer. In residential zoning districts, impervious surfaces, excluding the principal building, accessory structures, patios and swimming pools shall not exceed one thousand five hundred (1,500) square feet unless site or terrain conditions make this impractical. For the purposes of this section, an impervious surface includes driveways, sidewalks and surface parking areas.
- (4) *Insect and rodent infestations.* It shall be the responsibility of the owner to control and/or eliminate any infestation of insects, rodents or other pests in all exterior areas and accessory structures on the premises.

### **Sec. 45.03. Nuisance.**

Nuisances include:

- (7) *Grass and weeds.* Grass which has grown upon any property to a height of eight (8) or more inches or weeds.
- (10) *Insects, rodents and pest harborage.* Conditions which are conducive to the presence, harborage or breeding of insects, rodents or other pests. Bees or pigeons kept with written permission from and maintained in accordance with the regulations of the division of public health are exempt from the provisions of this chapter.
- (16) *Rank plant growth.* Overgrown, uncontrolled vegetation, shrubs, trees, vines that are conducive to the accumulation of refuse, debris or the harborage of vermin.