

9-21-11 B. Miller draft PC letter to BoCC

September 21, 2011

To: Jefferson County Board of County Commissioner

From: Jefferson County Planning Commission

Subject: Land Use as an Issue Affecting Food Resiliency in Jefferson County

Gentlemen,

A presentation, on June 22, 2011, by L. Katherine Baril was one of the best attended Planning Commissioner (PC) meeting and it promoted a remarkable attitude of unity within the audience. That attitude, of shared purpose, has continued at each subsequent PC meeting.

This letter is to suggest this wide spread interest be encouraged to fully identify the food system situation in Jefferson County and to offer proposals that could lead to legislative decisions that could make the local food system more secure.

It is because we, the PC, recognize the scope of this issue will involve considerations going beyond our responsibility for land use recommendations that we are requesting the BoCC to publicly encourage the broad community efforts that are currently being directed toward this subject.

In this vein, we also suggest the BoCC let those efforts remain community-led and those participating be given the opportunity to schedule public presentations regarding their progress as an agenda item at at least one PC meeting each month.

Let the process begin.

Jefferson County Planning Commissioner
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Vice Chair
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District #2 Representatives
District #3 Representatives

