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Honorable City Council  
Newton City Hall  
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Honorable City Councilors:

I respectfully submit this docket item to the Honorable Council requesting authorization to accept and expend a \$75,000 State budget earmark to assist the City in funding the construction of a new community garden at Spears Park on the north side.

Attached is a memo from Nicole Banks, Commissioner of Parks, Recreation & Culture on the matter.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Mayor Ruthanne Fuller

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*Nicole Banks, Commissioner*



May 8, 2023

Re: Request for Council docket item to accept and expend \$75,000 in earmark funds from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts toward the construction of community Gardens at Spears Park

Dear Mayor Fuller,

The City of Newton, through its Parks, Recreation and Culture Department is the recipient of an earmark from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the sum of \$75,000 to assist the city in funding the construction of community garden plots at Spears Park.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nicole Banks". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Nicole Banks  
Commissioner of Parks, Recreation & Culture