

Hello Everyone!

Thank you so much for your amazing show of support at City Hall on Monday night. The planning commission voted unanimously to advise the city council to approve our Special Use Permit application. Woo Hoo!

For those of you who couldn't make it, I was not in attendance that night. Baard's dad had a severe stroke on Easter Sunday and we have spent the last 3 days at the hospital in Rochester. Sad news, but the good news is that as it turns out, the Borner Farm isn't about me; it's about all of you and what we can make happen together. I am so proud to be a part of this community!

However... the show is not over yet. I am writing not only to thank you, but to ask you to keep this enthusiastic fervor going and join me at city hall this Monday, April 13th at 6:30 when the city council will make their final decision. Our concern now is not whether the Special Use Permit will pass, but that restrictions will be place on it concerning things like beer and wine sales, and hours of operation. These restrictions would hinder our confidence to make the necessary investments that will keep the farm going. If we are to continue the good work that we do, the farm must be allowed to support itself. If we hope to provide local food and make education and community building events available to all people in our community, then we must be allowed to generate the income to support that.

We are responsible people working hard to make our city better. The city administrators are doing their job to keep our neighborhoods peaceful and safe. Please show up on Monday night and let them know that's what we are all about too!

Thank you,

Diane Webster