

# Prince Rupert Community Garden APPLICATION & GARDEN PLOT CONTRACT 2024

**Prince Rupert Community League** 

NAME

**EMAIL** 

PHONE

#### **ADDRESS**

NOTE: Contact information will be used ONLY for activities related to the Prince Rupert Community Garden and its functions.

### Are you a returning gardener? YES $\Box$ NO $\Box$

#### **Prince Rupert Community Garden Waiver**

I understand that neither the garden group, the land owner, nor the City of Edmonton is responsible for my actions. I understand I am accessing the garden at my own risk. I therefore agree to hold harmless Prince Rupert Community League, Prince Rupert Community Garden and the City of Edmonton for any liability, damage, loss, or claim that occurs in connection with my use of the garden. I have read the document below and agree to its terms and conditions.

#### **GARDENER SIGNATURE**

DATE

Plot choice: □ 4x8 bed - \$30 □ 4x4 bed - \$15

## Intention

I will participate in the Prince Rupert Community Garden following the spirit of the garden vision: To cultivate a personal, neighborhood and environmental well-being through a safe, welcoming garden community.

## Administration

- 1. I understand my contact information will only be used for the functions of the Community Garden and agree it may be shared among the garden membership.
- 2. I will attend the April AGM unless the Garden Committee has excused my attendance. Plots for new gardeners will be assigned at this meeting.
- 3. During a pandemic, I understand the Community Garden must comply with all current and future Public Health Orders and City direction. I acknowledge the Garden Committee may need to revoke this Garden Plot Contract or make unilateral changes in order to comply with these Public Health Orders, without prior notice to me.

### **Plot assignment**

I agree that garden plots will be assigned as follows:

- Plot members from the previous year (in good standing) will have priority for the selection of available plots.
- Excess plots will be assigned on a first-come-first-serve basis.
- Plots are non-transferable.
- Paid rental fees are non-refundable.
- One plot will be assigned per household, unless there is no waiting list.
- Plot rental is for one year beginning at the April Garden Committee meeting.
- At the October Garden Committee meeting, members can choose to submit a request to either keep their existing plot or to get a different plot, if one is available, for the following season.

### **Additional Responsibilities**

- 1. In order to remain a member in good standing, and unless directed otherwise by the Garden Committee:
  - a. I will plant my plot by June 1 unless otherwise directed by the Garden Committee and gardeners not returning must clean their plot out by the end of the second week in October.
  - b. I will keep my plot planted, tidy and weeded throughout the garden season.
  - c. I will plant my plot according to the Prince Rupert Community Garden "Planting

Guidelines," detailed at the end of this agreement. I understand that invasive plants such as mint or plants that cannot be easily removed at the end of the season will not be planted in individual plots.

- d. I will not plant my garden, or place gardening structures such as trellis or tomato cages, in such a way that would shade any other plot. I will remove all individual plot structures at the end of the garden season.
- e. I will not use non-organic fertilizers, fungicides, pesticides and herbicides in the garden.
- f. I will dispose of garden waste in a timely fashion in the orange waste bins provided; I will dispose of non-compostable waste in the provided bins.
- g. I will follow the Prince Rupert Community Garden "Watering Guidelines," detailed at the end of this agreement.
- h. I understand that planting and installation of any garden structures in any communal plots will follow the direction of the Garden Committee.
- i. I will contribute to the maintenance, watering and weeding of communal plots.
- j. I will contribute a minimum of 6 hours of volunteer time towards the garden, achieving at least 3 hours of volunteer time by July 31. The Garden Committee will provide guidance on these volunteer duties.
- k. I will keep the pathways surrounding my individual plot free of discarded weeds and plants.

# Other

- 1. I am encouraged to report vandalism to the Garden Committee.
- 2. I understand fall bulb planting will be granted at the discretion of the Garden Committee.
- 3. Only leashed pets that are controlled are welcome in the garden.
- 4. All garden guests are to be supervised.
- 5. Parking is available nearby on 113 Avenue. Please do not park vehicles on the perimeter of the site.

# Non-compliance

- 1. I will communicate with the Garden Committee any challenges or inability to fulfill the terms of this contract in a timely manner such that assistance can be provided and the situation rectified.
- 2. If I do not comply with the terms of this contract, I will receive a written (email) notice and have 3 weeks to rectify the situation. If I do not rectify the situation within 3 weeks, I agree my plot may be reassigned and my annual dues forfeited at the discretion of the Garden Committee. Should the lack of compliance relate to the violation of a public health order, I will forfeit my plot immediately.

3. Notwithstanding item 2 as outlined above, a failure to comply with my pandemic responsibilities may result in an immediate termination of this Garden Plot Contract.

# Water Guidelines

Water tanks are filled as necessary by a contracted supplier.

- 1. I agree to follow the Water Guidelines:
  - a. I will bring my own watering can.
  - b. I will use water from tank #2 first as it is collected rain water and, in fact, free
  - c. I will use tank water prudently as it must be paid for on an at-cost basis.
  - d. I will notify the Water Coordinator if tanks are low or empty.

## **Planting Guidelines**

I agree to follow the Planting Guidelines as individual garden plots are for garden vegetables, herbs and flowers used by the Garden Plot member within one growing season.

- a. Aggressively self-seeding plants (*such as dill, coriander and poppies*) should be dead-headed prior to the seeds ripening.
- b. Very tall plants (such as pole beans, corn and sunflowers) should be planted only where other garden plots are not shaded, or in the common area and with the prior approval of the Garden Committee. (Could be planted along the pines in west side and north along lane)
- c. Noxious, invasive and/or illegal plants are not permitted.