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Community Garden at Innovations Site?

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Greetings Heather,

Our board has directed us to investigate options for "joint occupancy" at five sites, including Scripps Ranch Conference Center/Innovation Academy. Joint occupancy is the formal name of a section of Education Code. The concept contemplates a partnership on district-owned land to develop a combination of uses serving the district and community

We hosted a public meeting last week to begin the conversation – explain the joint occupancy concept and to ask the community what services are needed in the neighborhood – in line with our [Vision 2020](#) goals.

As you can imagine, at this stage there are a lot of different ideas. Input is being gathered now for use in the public Request For Proposals (RFP) process, through which agencies/firms must incorporate community ideas and submit a proposal for a project on the site. Any proposals that are submitted will be evaluated and subject to approval by the board. If any project is approved, it would take several years to complete as state approval and design and permitting process are required. Likewise, the board may reject any and all proposals that do not best meet the needs of the district. We will be updating our Joint Occupancy website as we trail through the process. Please feel free to visit www.sandi.net/jointoccupancy for information regarding this process.

Thank you.

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