



PUBLIC INFORMATION

ITEM NO. 2.

DATE OF MEETING: June 2, 2014

REQUESTED BY: Kyle M. Breuer, Director, Planning and Community Development

SHORT TITLE: Community Garden – Seven Oaks

BACKGROUND: Seven Oaks apartments are a public-private partnership providing for affordable housing options for the citizens of Pender County. The housing is based off of a self-sufficiency model that provides for opportunities to reduce or eliminate dependency on governmental supplements.

The Pender Housing Initiatives Board, which oversees the functions of Seven Oaks, is pleased to announce that funding has been secured through private granting agencies to develop a Community Garden at the Seven Oaks property, the first of its kind in Pender County. This has been made possible by partnering with Pender Christian Services, Inc., the Cape Fear Volunteer Center, Hands on Network, and the continued support of the Board.

Volunteers from the Hands on Network will be at Seven Oaks on June 12th to build the garden area and install all necessary elements of the project. The items in which they will be completing will be the construction of the beds, fence installation, cistern installation and associated plumbing, as well as installing landscape materials to surround the designated garden area.