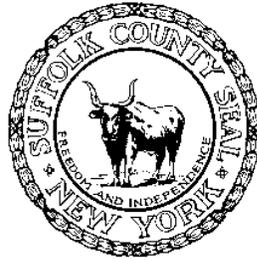


# COUNTY OF SUFFOLK

**KARA HAHN**  
LEGISLATOR, FIFTH DISTRICT



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## COUNTY LEGISLATURE

**TO: Members of the Food Policy Council:  
All interested parties**

**FROM: Honorable Kara Hahn**

**DATE: February 11, 2014**

**RE: Food Policy Council Meeting Agenda**

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**I. INTRODUCTIONS:**

**II. PRESENTATIONS:**

- a. Iman Marghoob will be showing the updated LI Community Gardens website

**III. SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES:**

- ***Community Gardens:*** Iman Marghoob (Chair), Kara Hahn, Frances Whittelsey and Zahrine Bajwa
  - Iman Marghoob has been working with Legislator Kara Hahn on healthy Vending Machine options and healthy options at the county owned beaches.
  - As part of Health Care Reform all vendors who have more than 20 machines must put the nutritional info on display
  - The legislation would impact 71 vending machines Suffolk County owned by the same company and the 3 County owned Beach Huts owned by the same guy
- Community Gardens website went live and has a 2 year domain hosting through Sustainable LI

- ***Food Equity:*** *Erin Thoresen (Chair), Randi Shubin Dresner, John Woods, Gregson Pigott and Stephen Kramarcik*
  - Weirs Deli update- holding off until snow melts for EBT project. Michigan has doubled up food bucks June through October for grocery stores. Erin Thorsen said she would look into this program more for marketing and promotional ideas.
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- ***Why Buy Local?*** *August Ruckdeschel (Chair), Robert Schaefer, Paule Pachter, Joel Panagakos and Joe Gergela*
  - There are beginning steps to plan for the construction an Agro tourism and Visitor center at the Yaphank farm with an educational component from Cornell Cooperative Extension

**IV. OUTSTANDING BUSINESS:**

**V. NEW BUSINESS:**

- Suffolk County Food Policy Council Facebook is up and running
- It was suggested that since demos at farmers markets are so popular that we should construct a regulation packet/info packet on how to set up in farmers markets and what protocols you need to go through in order to set it up.
- Augie has meet with Sachem School District to discuss a nutrition based curriculum. The program that they are looking into would make the students translate cafeteria choices into jumping jacks, hw assignments, PSA's, promotional materials and art programs.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT:**



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