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Mayor, Council Members and City Staff,

I am writing to put a time-sensitive planning opportunity before the City as it continues work on the 2026 Comprehensive Plan.

Food Well Alliance, in partnership with the Atlanta Regional Commission, is accepting applications for its 2026 Local Food System Planning program. I have attached the complete Program Application Guide along with a one-page AF2GA briefing outlining the opportunity and its potential relevance to Stone Mountain.

At this stage, I am **not asking the City to commit to an application**. I am asking that the appropriate City staff member be designated to conduct a rapid internal review and determine whether Stone Mountain should compete before the **November 13 application deadline**.

My firm Atlanta Food & Farm PBC (**AF2GA**) is prepared to assist with the community-partner side of that review and, if the City chooses to proceed, with development of a competitive joint application.

I will also be attending this evening's Comprehensive Plan workshop and would welcome guidance on the appropriate staff pathway for follow-up.

Respectfully,

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