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Hello Cllr Farr & Mr Mayor,

The Sunset cultural garden is an amazing space. If you have not been there to enjoy it, you should. The very idea of removing it is horrible.

Speaking as a resident of W2, and moreover as a parent, our inner-city kids don't get many chances to see living things. Our trees are encased in concrete, and "greenspace" is generally just turf grass. These are dead, dead, dead. Sunset cultural gardens are one of the few spaces where we can actually see things alive, an ecosystem!

To take this away from W2 would be cruel.

Thanks

Tanya Ritchie W2 resident.