

# Sale of FAS portion of Danny Woo Community Gardens to Interim CDA



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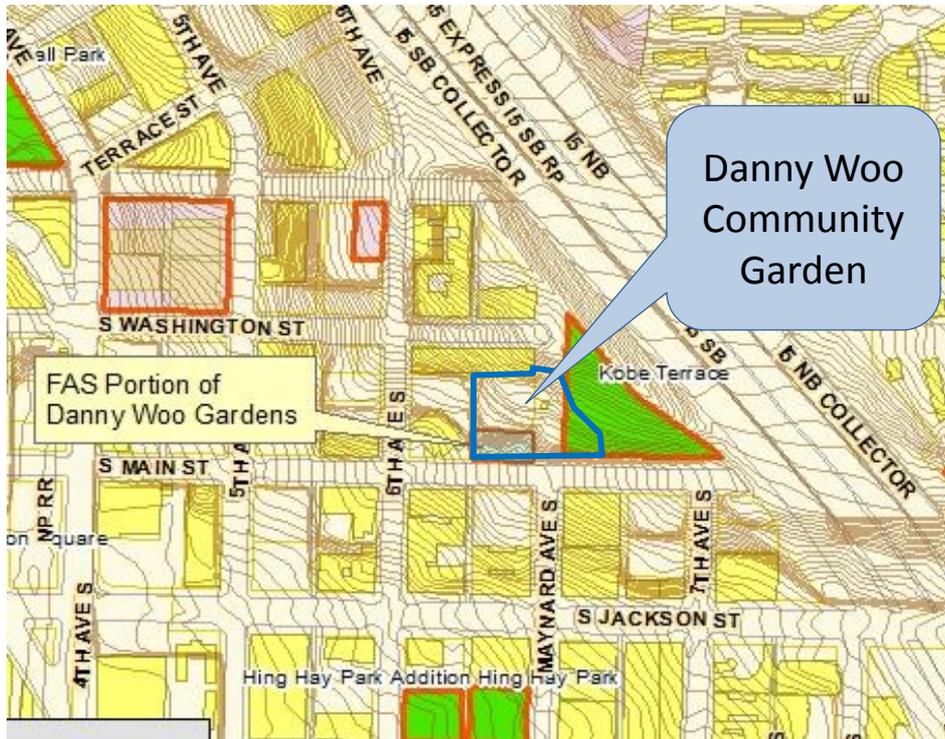


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# Garden Location

## 620 South Main Street

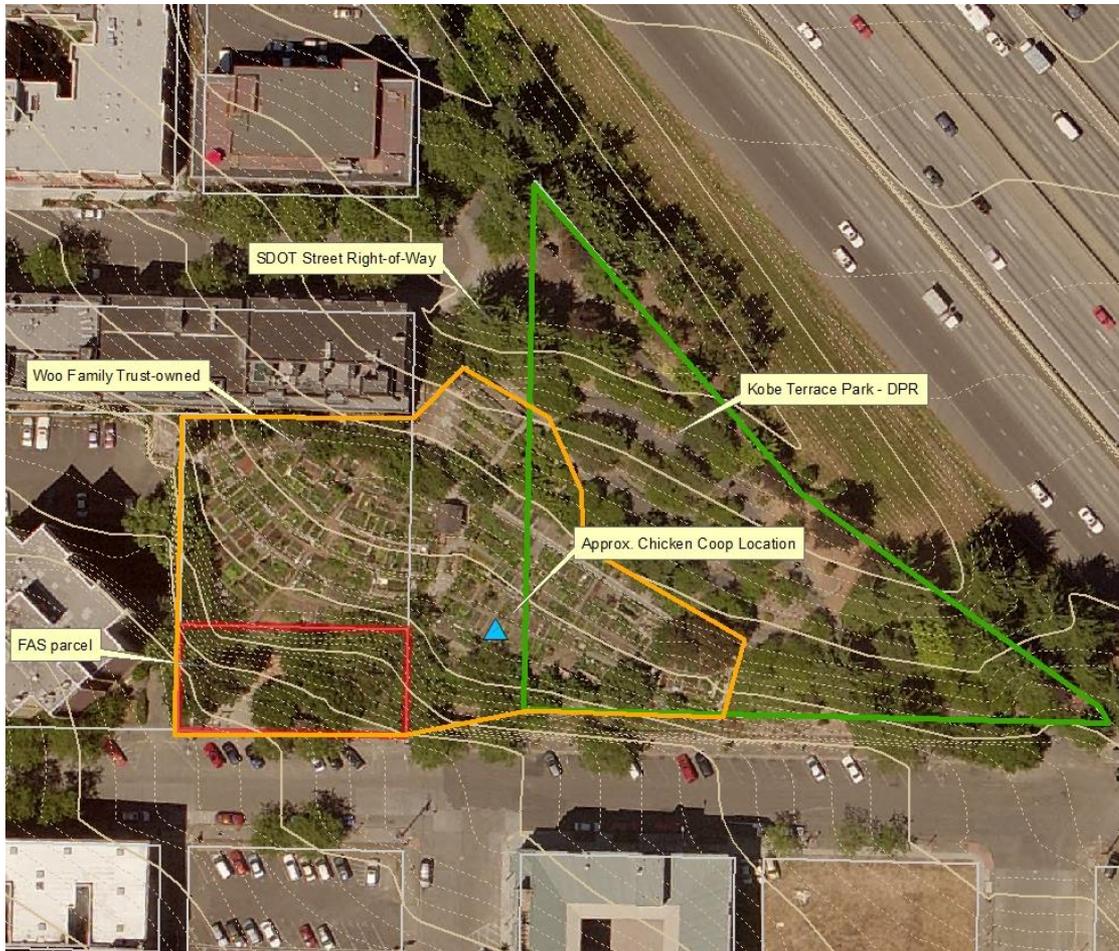


## Danny Woo Community Garden includes:

- Woo Family Trust Property
- FAS parcel (Permit)
- SDOT right-of-way (street use permit)
- Portion of Kobe Terrace park (permit)

# FAS Parcel Characteristics

- 7,600 sq. ft.
- Zoned IDR-150



# History

- City acquired property in 1930's
- Garden construction started in 1975
- FAS leased land since 1980 under mutual & offsetting benefit lease
- Managed by Interim CDA



*Photo courtesy The Seattle Times*



*Photo courtesy Kitchen Gardeners International*

# Garden Overview

- 65 gardeners, 88 plots
- Sustainable Gardening
- Seed-to-plate education
- Community events
- Interim CDA interest in expanding programs at the garden



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# Deal Points

- City sells property to Interim CDA
- Covenant in perpetuity for public open space, park or community garden use
- Interim CDA pays \$3,000 in closing costs
- Value of volunteer hours and funds over next 20 years estimated at over \$2.6 million

# Benefits of Proposed Sale

- Continuity of educational and community services provided at the Danny Woo Community Gardens
- Sale provides Interim CDA with control of property, which facilitates site improvements
- Improves Interim's fundraising potential for long-term garden support
- Reduces liability and risk to City

# Community Input

## Wide Community Support for transfer includes:

- Wing Luke Museum
- Chinese Information & Service Center
- City Fruit
- Community Coalition for Environmental Justice
- Denise Louie Education Center
- Helping Link – Mot Dau Noi
- Historic Chinatown Gate Foundation
- Pinoy Words Expressed Kultura Arts & Fil Am Political Action Group
- Puget Sound Community School