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Good afternoon. I just received the following statement from the Urban Agriculture Alliance. What is the city's response to the version of events and assertions in this statement?

Best,

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**From:** **Urban Agriculture Alliance** <[urbanagriculturealliance@gmail.com](mailto:urbanagriculturealliance@gmail.com)>  
**Date:** Mon, Oct 3, 2016 at 1:23 PM  
**Subject:** UAA public response to Edible Park actions  
**To:**

This is an open letter from the Urban Agriculture Alliance regarding the recent actions that took place in the Dr. George Washington Carver Edible Park involving the city's removal of several fruit and nut bearing trees.Â

Sincerely,Â

The Urban Agriculture Alliance

*The Urban Agriculture Alliance is a cross-sector collective impact initiative developing and supporting urban agriculture projects and systems to address root causes of poverty, injustice, and inequity within the local food system. Our diverse membership is comprised of representatives of several environmental and agricultural nonprofits, urban agriculture growers and businesses, city and county department staff, university faculty, the Asheville Buncombe Food Policy Council, and community organizers.Â*