

BOH

From: Omar Johnson <boh@westtisbury-ma.gov>
Sent: Monday, April 13, 2020 3:49 PM
To: Chris Wiley
Cc: Barnett, Tim; Lowe, Erik & Cheryl (elowe@vineyard.net); Jessica Miller (jessmiller73@aol.com)
Subject: RE: Vineyard Gardens

Mr. Wiley.

My intentions in the interest of protecting the health of the public is to promote social distancing as **rigorously** as possible to stop the spread. The best way to do this is to prevent people from congregating and/or handling product to cut down on disease transmission. Your request to allow people to move about freely makes the safety measures I am trying to put in place more difficult to monitor/handle even though you provide a plan for keeping people safe. I believe this is a time to tighten restrictions not loosen them as this is a critical period. With all this said I would be against opening up your garden to more freedom and movement. I have cc'd my Board for the purpose of sharing our thoughts on this matter. If you would like to receive permission to go forward with this request, I kindly ask that you allow me to put you on the agenda for this Thursday for further discussion and a final decision.

Sincerely,

Omar Johnson Health Agent/West Tisbury BOH) (508) 696-0105

From: Chris Wiley [<mailto:chris@vineyardgardens.net>]
Sent: Monday, April 13, 2020 2:02 PM
To: Omar Johnson
Subject: Vineyard Gardens

Dear Omar and the West Tisbury Board of Health,

We wanted to request that customers be allowed to move from the parking lot at Vineyard Gardens through out our outdoor areas. The outdoor areas are very much like being in a park. We would have plenty of signage asking customers not to touch product unless they are purchasing it. We would further reinforce this by instructing each customer individually to not touch. We would require masks and gloves be worn by all customers. Employees are already required to wear them.

We plan on setting up a one way path system so nobody would be passing in the paths.

We would still not allow people in the covered greenhouses or the stores. Customers would Only be allowed in outdoor areas. Please let us know if this is acceptable to the board of health.

We will spray disinfectant on frequently touched surfaces like cart handles and water faucets. We have washing stations set up at several water faucets with water soap and paper towels.

If there are other measures you wish us to take, like limiting the number of people on the property at one time, we can do that as well.

We feel that by letting people move through out our outdoor areas it will make it easier to keep the 6 ft social distance from each other.

Please consider our request. I am sending in a separate e mail the latest state mandated orders as it applies to garden center businesses.

We will continue our on line ordering and curb side pick up for customers who do not wish to walk around.
Please let us know if this can be done.
Thank you

Chris and Chuck Wiley
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Sent from my iPhone