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### **Appendix 1: The Seven International Cooperative Principles**

A co-operative is an autonomous association of persons united voluntarily to meet their common economic, social and cultural needs and aspirations through a jointly-owned and democratically-controlled enterprise.

Co-operatives are based on the values of self-help, self-responsibility, democracy, equality, equity and solidarity. In the tradition of their founders, co-operatives members believe in the ethical values of honesty, openness, social responsibility and caring for others.

Cooperatives exist nationally and internationally. There are currently no cooperative grocery stores in New Orleans, although there have been at various points in the past.

All cooperatives operate according to the Seven International Cooperative Principles. The cooperative principles are guidelines by which co-operatives put their values into practice. The principles are:

1st Principle: Voluntary and Open Membership
2nd Principle: Democratic Member Control
3rd Principle: Member Economic Participation
4th Principle: Autonomy and Independence

5th Principle: Education, Training and Information
6th Principle: Co-operation among Co-operatives

• 7th Principle: Concern for Community

**Voluntary and Open Membership.** Co-operatives are voluntary organizations, open to all persons able to use their services and willing to accept the responsibilities of membership, without gender, social, racial, political or religious discrimination.

**Democratic Member Control.** Co-operatives are democratic organizations controlled by their members, who actively participate in setting their policies and making decisions. Men and women serving as elected representatives are accountable to the membership. In primary co-operatives, members have equal voting rights (one member, one vote) and co-operatives at other levels are organized in a democratic manner.

**Member Economic Participation.** Members contribute equitably to, and democratically control, the capital of their co-operatives. At least part of that capital is usually the common property of the co-operatives They usually receive limited compensation, if any, on capital subscribed as a condition of membership. Members allocate surpluses for any or all of the following purposes: developing the co-operative, possibly by setting up reserves, part of which at least would be indivisible; benefiting members in proportion to their transactions with the co-operatives; and supporting other activities approved by the membership.

**Autonomy and Independence.** Co-operatives are autonomous, self-help organizations controlled by their members. If they enter into agreements with other organizations, including governments, or raise capital from external sources, they do so on terms that ensure democratic control by their members and maintain their co-operative autonomy.

**Education, Training and Information.** Co-operatives provide education and training for their members, elected representatives, managers and employees so they can contribute effectively to the development of their co-operatives. They inform the general public - particularly young people and opinion leaders - about the nature and benefits of co-operation.

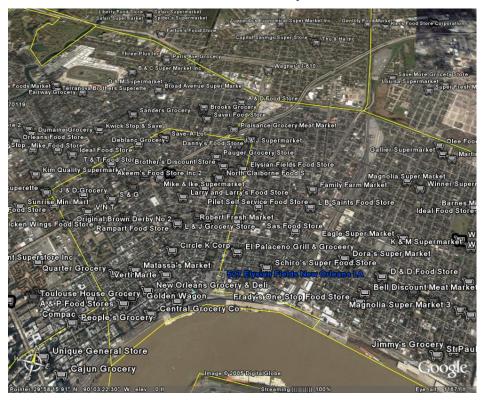
**Co-operation among Co-operatives.** Co-operatives serve their members most effectively and strengthen the co-operative movement by working together through local, national, regional and international structures.

**Concern for Community**. While focusing on member needs, co-operatives work for the sustainable development of their communities through policies accepted by their members.

The principles above are as stated by the International Cooperative Alliance.

Source: http://www.creditunion.mb.ca/cu\_info/princip.htm.

## Appendix 3a: Grocery Stores within a 2 mile range of 527 Elysian Fields



#### **Store distribution 1:**

While there are a lot of grocery stores within this range, they are almost entirely corner stores that sell primarily convenience foods, packaged alcohol, lottery tickets, and deli products. What few groceries they do sell are almost never inexpensive bulk foods, local grocery or farm products, nor organic or natural foods.

#### **Store distribution 2:**

There are a few full-service grocery stores in the specified range. These stores have been experimenting recently with some natural or organic products, but they primarily offer conventional foods with very few local products or bulk food options.



# Appendix 5: Resumes of Managerial Candidate and Steering Committee Principles

## **Included Resumes:**

# **Managerial Candidate:**

• Jill Hirons

## **NOFC Board of Directors:**

- Tommy Boehm
- John Calhoun
- Dave Cash
- Karley Frankic
- Betsy Hemenway
- Leenie Halbert
- Bridget Kelly
- Erin Laine
- Darlene Wolnik