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Happenings Around Town

Urban Agriculture Ordinance: What is the future of urban agriculture and backyard gardening in the city? The City of Pittsburgh will have an ordinance hearing open to the public on Tuesday, February 16th at 2pm at 200 Ross Street, 1st Floor.

Bike Parking Ordinance: Can Pittsburgh become more bike-friendly? [Bike Pittsburgh](#) has updates about this conversation.

[City's SNAP program:](#) A data and information system for Pittsburgh - good for planning purposes!

Dear GTECH,

Thirty inches of snow in Pittsburgh and 30 days of voting for GTECH at the [Pepsi Refresh Project](#) (well 28 days, but you get the idea). Thank you for sticking with us during this snowy month of voting - we are 11 days deep in the Pepsi Refresh contest and have had some great momentum!

It's been a crazy ride so far. First we moved from 202nd place all the way to 7th! This was exciting news, but unfortunately, we've dropped back to 11th place since this weekend, meaning we are currently one place out of the prize.

[GTECH](#) needs to be in the top 10 to receive the \$50,000. That money will go directly to fund new projects in Pittsburgh and New Orleans, helping fight vacancy and blight with sunflower gardens to improve soil, reduce contamination, produce biodiesel, and serve as a platform for green jobs.

Can you help us make this contest a win? It's a month long effort - and we need you voting every day!

Here's a few tips we've found in navigating the slightly confusing website:

- Log in first - click the "Sign In" link at the bottom of the page.
- If you use Facebook, signing in through your screen name is a bit easier.
- Click "Vote!" **after signing in**. When you get the arrow telling you to promote the idea with Facebook and Twitter, you've done it right!
- Some with newer versions of Firefox web browser are having trouble voting. If this is you, try using Microsoft Explorer, Chrome, or Safari.

Remember - you can vote everyday in February! Only 17

days to go, so vote early and vote often!

Please continue encouraging your friends and networks to vote too.

Go to: www.refresheverything.com/gtech

Thank you for the tremendous response and outpouring of support so far. Your response and positive feedback fuels us more than you know!

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