Urban Agriculture

Open House Agenda & Next Steps

Agenda

- 4:30 6:30 p.m. Open House
- 5:00 p.m. Presentation
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Next Steps

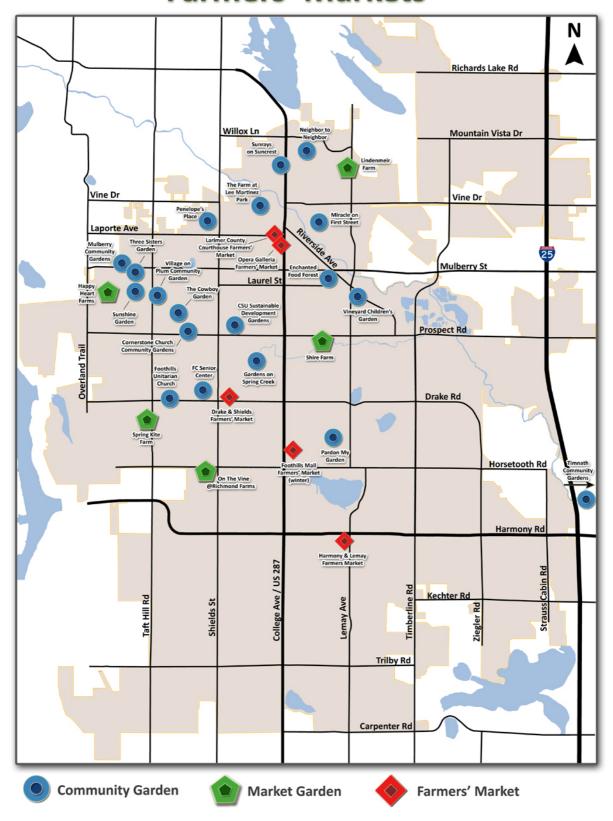
Additional opportunities to voice your opinion on proposed Urban Agriculture changes

- February 21 Planning & Zoning Board
 Public hearing and request for recommendation on the Land
 Use Code changes
- March 5 City Council
 First Reading of the proposed Land Use Code Changes
- March 19 City Council
 Second Reading of the proposed Land Use Code Changes

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Fort Collins Gardens & Farmers' Markets



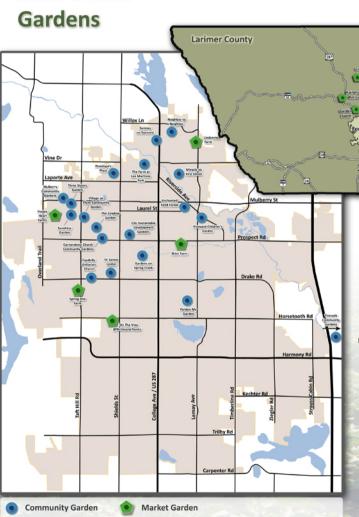
Did we miss something? Please mark on the map any additional gardens or farmers' markets not shown.



Urban Gardens

(Market Gardens & Community Gardens)

Area Urban



Survey Results

A market garden is a garden or orchard where food is grown to be sold.

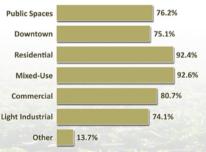
Direction:

- Define market gardens, including sub-categories such as Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) and Neighborhood Supported Agriculture.
- Allow market gardens in more locations beyond the four zone districts where they are currently allowed.
- Consider incorporating options, where necessary, for addressing neighborhood concerns and ensuring compatibility, e.g. screening, noise mitigation, sales timing, etc.

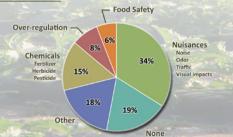
Question: Is this the right direction?



Check the types of areas where you think market gardens should be allowed:



Question: What types of impacts concern you the most?



Proposed Changes

Tell us what you think - place your like or dislike stickers in the space below each proposed change

Allow urban gardens to be licensed instead of a traditional development review process.

A mailed notice, posted notice or neighborhood meeting may be required for urban gardens located in residential zones or of a certain size/threshold.

Urban gardens to meet their parking needs (Off-street parking may be required).

Urban gardens required to follow certain conditions:

- Chemical Storage
- Water Conservation
- Existing nuisance laws (ex: noise)
- Farm manager contact information posted on-site



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Urban Garden Process

Urban Garden

Market or Community Gardens in City boundaries

Garden License

Apply for an Urban Garden License (small fee yet to be determined)

Notice

A neighborhood meeting, posted notice or mailed notice may be required for urban gardens located in residential zones or of a certain size/threshold.



Urban Gardens must comply with the following conditions:

- Mechanized equipment (noise levels)
- Parking (provide adequate off-street parking)
- Chemicals/Fertilizers (follow state/federal regulations)
- Trash/Compost (screening, setbacks, removal)
- Proper maintenance (Chapter 20 City Code)
- Contact information posted on-site
- Floodplain use permit required if located in floodplain
- Additional mitigation may be required



Animals

Miniature Goat **Breeds**

African Pygmy

A small, "cobby," compact and muscular goat with short legs and neck in comparison to body length.

16" - 21" average height 50 lbs - 85 lbs average weight

Nigerian Dwarf

Considered a dairy goat with balanced proportions and longer legs and neck compared to the African Pygmy.

17" - 21" average height 50 lbs - 75 lbs average weight

African Pygmy



Nigerian Dwarf



Survey Results

Includes the raising of a variety of animals in residential and commercial areas for the purpose of producing food, e.g. eggs, milk, honey, etc.

Direction:

- Consider scaling the number of chicken hens per lot based on lot size. This would be similar to how the Code regulates bee hives.
- Consider including ducks within a poultry definition. so individuals could own either chickens or ducks.
- Consider allowing goats within the city limits in the same manner chickens are allowed on any lot, or increase the number of zone districts in which goats are allowed.

Question: Is this the right direction?



Question: What types of impacts concern you the most?



Proposed Changes

Tell us what you think - place your like or dislike stickers in the space provided below each proposed change

Allow 6 chickens or ducks (combined) on lots up to 1/4 acre; up to 8 allowed on lots 1/4 - 1/2 acre in size; up to 12 allowed on lots greater than 1/2 acre.

Allow 2 (no more, no less) female or neutered male miniature goats with a permeable space requirement. Denver requires 130 sq. ft per animal and Steamboat Springs requires 240 sq. ft per animal. We are proposing 300 sq. ft. for 2 miniature goats.

Animal licensing required: \$30.00 for chickens (unchanged). Slightly higher fee for goats (to be determined).

Follow neighborhood compatibility restrictions when keeping chickens, ducks and goats:

- Setbacks
- Breed Limits (Goats)
- No slaughtering

- Noise
- Number of Animal Limits
- In multifamily units, all parties must agree

- Subject to HOA rules



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Animal Licensing Process

Chickens & Ducks

Animal Limits:

Determine the maximum number of chickens & ducks (combined) allowed based on your lot size:

Lots less than $\frac{1}{2}$ acre = up to 6 Lots $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ acre = up to 8 Lots larger than $\frac{1}{2}$ acre = up to 12

License Animals

License chickens/ducks with the Larimer Humane Society. \$30.00 license fee good for all chickens & ducks.

Miniature Goats

Animal Limits:

Only 2 miniature goats allowed (no more and no less)

Miniature goat breeds include the African Pygmy & Nigerian Dwarf

Permeable space requirement of 300 square feet.

License Animals

License miniature goats with the Larimer Humane Society. Fee to be determined (slightly higher than chicken/duck license fee).

Animal Welfare

Ensure proper care and welfare for all animals.