

**VERNAL
ORDINANCE 2021-03 URBAN FARMS**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE VERNAL CITY COUNCIL AMENDING THE VERNAL
CITY MUNICIPAL CODE BY REPEALING CHAPTER 16.23 - URBAN FARMS
AND ADDING SECTION 16.20.695 - URBAN FARMS.**

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the regulation of farming activities within the City is necessary for orderly growth and conduct of business within the City, and;

WHEREAS, the City Council deems it to be in the best interest of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens to incorporate the following changes to the provisions of the Vernal City Code, and;

WHEREAS, the City Council has received input from the public at large in duly noticed open meetings, and has considered and discussed the advantages and disadvantages of such regulation.

NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City Council of Vernal, in the State of Utah, as follows:

SECTION 1: **REPEAL** “Chapter 16.23 Urban Farms” of the Vernal Municipal Code is hereby *repealed* as follows:

REPEAL

Section 16.23.010 Purpose

The purpose of this Chapter is to provide for a land use category of urban farms by regulating the type and extent of any use of a parcel for purposes of an urban farm land use. (Ord. 2017-01, Add, 01/18/2017)

Section 16.23.020 Permit Required

To assure compliance with the provisions of this Chapter, a permit for urban farming shall be obtained from the City before any lot in any zone may be used for business purposes. (Ord. 2017-01, Add, 01/18/2017)

Section 16.23.030 Permit -- Conditions

A lot or portion thereof used to grow and harvest produce, including the keeping and raising of honeybees, for commercial or group use further, allowing the sale of such produce on-site providing that:

- A. If sales of produce are to occur, the resident / property owner must be licensed by the

City for such commercial activity;

- B. Honeybee keeping and raising must be in accordance with Section 16.20.700 of this Title and Utah State law. Honey packaged on-site shall be considered the same as honey produced on-site.
- C. Sales of produce on-site may be from one urban farm stand on the lot not exceeding one hundred twenty (120) feet located with a setback of ten (10) feet from any dedicated roadway of the City. For urban farms exceeding ten (10) acres in size, an urban farm stand up to three hundred (300) square feet may be permitted.
- D. Unless permitted elsewhere in this code, farm animals are prohibited on urban farms.

(Ord. 2017-01, Add, 01/18/2017)

~~Chapter 16.23 Urban Farms (Repealed)~~

~~Section 16.23.010 Purpose (Repealed)~~

~~Section 16.23.020 Permit Required (Repealed)~~

~~Section 16.23.030 Permit -- Conditions (Repealed)~~

SECTION 2: ADOPTION “Section 16.20.695 Urban Farms” of the Vernal Municipal Code is hereby *added* as follows:

ADOPTION

Section 16.20.695 Urban Farms(*Added*)

- A. Purpose. The purpose of this Section is to provide for a land use category of urban farms by regulating the type and extend of any use of a parcel for purposes of an urban farm land use.
- B. Permit required. To assure compliance with the provisions of this Section, a permit for urban farming shall be obtained from the City before any lot in any zone may be used for business purposes.
- C. Conditions. A lot or portion thereof used to grow and harvest produce, including the keeping and raising of honeybees, for commercial or group use further, allowing the sale of such produce on-site providing that:
 - 1. If sales of produce occur, the resident / property owner must be licensed by the City for such commercial activity;
 - 2. Honeybee keeping and raising must be in accordance with Section 16.20.700 of this code and Utah State law. Honey packaged on-site shall be considered the same as honey produced on-site.
 - 3. Sales of produce on-site may be from one urban farm stand on the lot not exceeding one hundred twenty (120) square feet located with a setback of ten

(10) feet from any dedicated roadway of the City. For urban farms exceeding ten (10) acres in size, an urban farm stand up to three hundred (300) square feet may be permitted.

4. Unless permitted elsewhere in this code, farm animals are prohibited on urban farms.

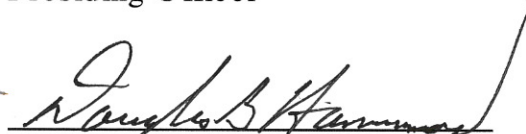
PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE VERNAL COUNCIL

April 21, 2021


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Councilmember Nicholas Porter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilmember Travis Allan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Presiding Officer

Attest



Doug Hammond, Mayor, Vernal



Quinn Bennion, City Manager /
Recorder Vernal

