



MEMORANDUM

Council Agenda
Item No. IV. A
7/2/2024

The City of OKLAHOMA CITY

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Craig Freeman, City Manager

Ordinance to be introduced, set for public hearing July 16, 2024 and final hearing July 30, 2024, relating to Zoning and Planning Code, amending Chapter 59 of the Oklahoma City Municipal Code, 2020, Article VII – Special Purpose Districts, Sections 59-7150 - Bricktown Core Development District, 59-7150.1 - BC Bricktown Core Development District (Table 7150.2), relating to certain urban agriculture uses, to provide that such uses are a conditional use within the Bricktown Core Development District; and amending Sections 59-7200 - Downtown Design Districts, 59-7200.1 - Downtown Design Districts (DBD, DTD-1, DTD-2) (Table 7200.1) relating to certain urban agriculture uses, to provide that such uses are conditional uses within the Downtown Design Districts; and Sections 59-7200.3 - Downtown Transitional District, Limited (DTD-1) (Table 7200.3) relating to certain urban agricultural uses, to provide that such uses are conditional uses within the Downtown Transitional District, Limited (DTD-1); and by amending Sections 59-7350 - Stockyards City Development District, 59-7350.3 - Use Regulations (Table 7350.1) relating to certain urban agricultural uses, to provide that such uses are conditional uses within the Stockyards City Development District; and amending Article IX – Use Standards, by amending Sections 59-9350 - Standards for specific uses, 9350.19.1 Community Garden (8150.6.1), 9350.30.1 Greenhouse (8150.6.3), 9350.34.1 Home Garden (59-8150-6.4), 9350.34.2 Hoop House (59-8150.6.5) and 9350.67.1 Urban Farm (59-8150.9), modifying standards to apply to the Bricktown, Downtown and Stockyards Districts.

Councilmembers Hamon and Nice

Purpose:

The purpose of this request is to allow for certain Urban Agriculture uses as conditional uses in the Downtown Design Districts, Bricktown Core Zoning District, and Stockyards City Development District. The subject uses are already permitted as conditional uses throughout numerous other agricultural, residential, commercial, and industrial zoning districts.

Background:

Councilmembers Hamon and Nice requested the Planning Department draft an ordinance to allow certain Urban Agriculture uses as conditional uses in certain Special Design Districts. In 2013, City Council adopted an ordinance regarding Urban Agriculture (Ordinance No. 24,804), which set forth multiple new agricultural use units, including Community Garden, Greenhouse, Home Garden, Hoop House, Roof Garden, and Urban Farm. These uses are allowed in numerous agricultural, residential, commercial and industrial districts as "Conditional Uses" that must comply with specific Use Standards to ensure compatibility for things like signage, prevention of

weeds and pests, and identify applicable bulk regulations. The Downtown Design Districts, Bricktown Core Zoning District, and Stockyards City Development District were not originally included in the ordinance. Therefore, staff has prepared a proposed ordinance amendment that adds all of the urban agricultural use units as Conditional Uses in the Downtown Design Districts, Bricktown Core Zoning District, and Stockyards City Development District and customizes the conditions to be consistent with Design District development standards.

On April 9, 2024, the ordinance was introduced at City Council and remanded to the applicable Design Review bodies.

On April 18, 2024, the Downtown Design Review Committee unanimously recommended approval of the proposed ordinance amendment.

On May 8, 2024, the Stockyards City Urban Design Committee unanimously recommended approval of the proposed ordinance amendment.

On June 12, 2024, the Bricktown Urban Design Committee unanimously recommended approval of the proposed ordinance amendment.

On June 13, 2024, the Planning Commission unanimously recommended approval of the ordinance to City Council, with the revision that Lot 6, in Block 2 of the Memorial Business Park be excluded, modifying the legal description of the Lake Hefner Parkway Scenic Corridor to state "less and except Lot 6, in Block 2 of Memorial Business Park".

Review:

Planning Department

Recommendation: Ordinance be introduced, set for public hearing July 16, 2024 and final hearing July 30, 2024.