## Zoning & Livestock Amendments

Town Council Presentation May 13, 2025



## **Current status of livestock regulations**

- Discussion at the March 11<sup>th</sup> Council meeting about fire risk management strategies including zoning amendments pertaining to the keeping of livestock and grazing animals.
- Direction to staff was given to draft zoning and animal regulation amendments for Council consideration that would allow the keeping of livestock on AR-3 &AR-5 zoned properties without a primary residence and potentially allow ag buildings in those zones.
- The primary purpose of the ordinance is to allow the longterm keeping of large amounts of grazing livestock on larger, agricultural-residential properties that are not developed with a residence for fuels management purposes.



## **ZONING/LIVESTOCK REGULATIONS**

#### **Existing:**

Zoning	Livestock Keeping	Ag Buildings	Primary Residence
AR-3	Permitted by right	Not permitted	Required
AR-5	Permitted by right	Not permitted	Required

#### **Proposed:**

Zoning	Livestock Keeping	Ag Buildings	Primary Residence
AR-3	Administrative Permit	Permitted with Use Permit	Not required
AR-5	Administrative Permit	Permitted with Use Permit	Not required

## **ADDITIONAL AMENDMENTS**

- Amend the definition of "private stables" to allow for the boarding of all livestock instead of only horses (permitted-by-right).
- Adopt an Animal Management Plan by Resolution to address minimum standards for items such as:
  - Fencing
  - Shelter
  - Manure/waste management
  - Feeding &watering



## What does all of this mean?

#### **Administrative Permit**

7 of the 9 residential zones already require Admin Permits for livestock, this amendment would also require the AR-3 & AR-5 to secure an Admin Permit (when there is no residence onsite).

#### **Ag Buildings**

residence.

Ag buildings are not currently permitted in any residential zone. This amendment would potentially allow ag buildings in the AR-3 &AR-5 without a

#### **Review Process**

Administrative Permits are not discretionary (no public hearing) and are assigned adopted standards and best management practices.

#### **Private Stables**

Amend the definition of private stables to a llow all livestock and not just horses. Would continue to be permitted-by-right (but still subject to a building permit) in the AR-3 &AR-5 zones.

#### **Primary Residence**

All 9 of the residential zones require a primary residence be established in order to have livestock. This amendment would allow the AR-3 &AR-5 to have livestock without a house.

#### Animal Management Plan

Adopt minimum standards for livestock keeping that can be used as enforceable conditions for the Admin Permits.

## **Cost of Compliance**



#### \$ Varies

Building permits for stables and ag buildings will vary based on size and construction type – design will also dictate whether an engineer/ architect is required, but surveys are still required

#### \$880.34

Conditional Use Permit for an ag building as a primary use (without a residence) – can cover both the ag building AND livestock under one Use Permit if submitted concurrently

#### \$352.14

Administrative Permit (one-time fee) for livestock when there <u>is not</u> a house on-site



# Questions and direction to staff?