

# San Diego Urban Agriculture Proposed Regulation Changes

## Easy Fact Sheet

The following fact sheet is a summary of the document released by the City on 9/7/11. Please refer to that document for more specific details about requirements.

### 1. Chickens

- Up to 5 chickens in most cases\*
- Up to 15 chickens, when coop is 15 feet from residence
- 25 chickens when 50 feet from residence
- Roosters prohibited
- Coop and pen design must be easily-cleaned, and safe/healthy for the chickens\*
- Cleaning of droppings and food scraps weekly
- Allowed in single-family homes, community gardens, and retail farms

### 2. Miniature Goats

- Must have 2 goats. Up to 4 goats in community garden or retail farm
- Shed and pen design must be easily-cleaned, and safe/healthy for the goats\*
  - Minimum 5-foot high fence so goat can't jump over
- Goat milk and cheese for personal consumption only -- sale of goat products not permitted.
- Allowed single-family homes, community gardens, and retail farms

### 3. Bees – on hold pending further meetings

### 4. Retail Farms – new land use category

- Purpose is to produce and sell food on the same premises. Seventy-five percent of the products sold must be produced onsite.
- Limited use (no land use permit needed) in most commercial zones\*
- Cannot be greater than 4 acres
- Use of pesticides is prohibited
- Must provide parking for employees and customers, based on number of employees and size of retail area\*
- Retail area can be a building, temporary shade structure, and/or within the farm as a “pick-your-own”\*

### 5. Daily Farmers Market Stands

- Size cannot be greater than 5 feet deep and 16 feet in length
- Limited Use (no land use permit needed) in most commercial zones and IL-3-1 industrial zone\*
- No value added or prepared foods may be sold
- No existing parking can be displaced, no additional parking required\*
- Need property owner's permission, letter of support and (for public property) \$500,000 liability insurance
- Location cannot block pedestrians and wheelchairs on sidewalk, getting in/out of buses, cars and taxis\*

### 6. Weekly Farmers Markets on Private Property

- Limited Use (no land use permit needed) on private property all commercial zones\*
- Changed from expensive and time-consuming conditional use permit
- One event per week per location
- May only occur Monday through Friday
- Must meet specific parking requirements\*

\* asterick means to refer to DSD 9/7/11 memo for complete details. Pen and coop for goats and chickens have specific location (“setbacks”) and design requirements.