

Midway City Council
21 January 2021
Planning Meeting

Onsite Sale of Produce

Memo



Midway

Date: January 21, 2021
To: Midway City Council
From: Michael Henke
Re: Possible code text amendment to allow sale of on-site produce

Currently, Midway's land use code limits the sale of produce to anywhere but commercial zones. The code defines agriculture and limits the sale of retailing agricultural products on the premises. The code states the following in Chapter 16.2.1

1. Agriculture. The growing of soil crops in the customary manner in the open. It shall not include livestock-raising activities nor shall it include retailing of products on the premises.

It has been suggested that the City allow on-site sales of agricultural products. Some items that should be discussed with this proposal are the following:

- The City now has a farmers' market that allows locals to sell produce. Should we expand the ability for those producers to sell from their properties? Or is the option of the farmers' market sufficient?
- If products can be sold from agricultural land, should sales be limited to only what is produced on that land? If products can be grown outside of Midway and then sold in Midway on an agriculture property, is that not competition for our grocery store? Products sold could be limited to only those grown on the property.
- Should parking be required?
- Should bathrooms or possibly temporary bathrooms be required?