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Amending Title 20, Chapter 520 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Zoning Code: Introductory Provisions.

The City Council of the City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That Section 520.160 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended by adding thereto the following definitions in alphabetical sequence to read as follows:

520.160. Definitions. Unless otherwise expressly stated, or unless the context clearly indicates a different meaning, the words and phrases in the following list of definitions shall, for the purposes of this zoning ordinance, have the meanings indicated. Additional definitions may be found within specific chapters of this zoning ordinance. All words and phrases not defined shall have their common meaning.

Aquaculture. The cultivation of aquatic animals, in a recirculating environment to produce whole fish that are distributed to retailers, restaurants and consumers.

Aquaponics. The combination of aquaculture and hydroponics to grow crops and fish together in a recirculating system without any discharge or exchange of water.

Arbor. A landscape structure consisting of an open frame with horizontal and/or vertical latticework often used as a support for climbing plants. An arbor may be freestanding or attached to another structure.

Cold frame. An unheated outdoor structure typically consisting of, but not limited to, a wooden or concrete frame and a top of glass or clear plastic, used for protecting seedlings and plants from the cold.

Community Garden: A use in which land managed by a group of individuals is used to grow food or ornamental crops, such as flowers, for donation or for use by those cultivating the land and their households. Community gardens may be divided into separate plots for cultivation by one or more individuals or may be farmed collectively by members of the group and may include common areas maintained and used by group members.

Community Supported Agriculture drop-off/pick up. Location where a farmer delivers or distributes farm shares and individuals pick up their shares at a set time weekly, biweekly or monthly.

Composting. The natural degradation of organic material, such as yard and food waste, into soil.

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Farmstand. A temporary structure for the display and sale of food or ornamental crops grown on-site at a community garden, market garden or urban farm.

Greenhouse: A structure that is constructed primarily of glass, glass-like or translucent material which is devoted to the protection or cultivation of plants.

Greenhouse, lawn and garden supply store. An establishment where products related to the planting, maintaining, or harvesting of trees, shrubs, plants, grasses or sod, fertilizers, soils, chemicals or other goods and related products are sold in small quantity to the public.

Greenhouse, wholesale: An establishment where products related to the planting, maintaining, or harvesting of trees, shrubs, plants, grasses or sod, fertilizers, soils, chemicals or other goods and related products are sold primarily to greenhouse, lawn and garden supply stores, landscape contractors or other retail outlets.

Hoop house. A temporary or permanent structure typically made of, but not limited to, piping or other material covered with translucent plastic, constructed in a hoop shape, for the purposes of growing plants. A hoop house is considered more temporary than a greenhouse.

Hydroponics. The growing of plants, in a water and fertilizer solution containing the necessary nutrients for plant growth.

Market garden. An establishment where food or ornamental crops are grown on the ground, on a rooftop or inside a building, to be sold or donated, that is smaller in scale than an urban farm.

Mini-Market. A type of farmers market, limited to five or fewer market vendors, whose primary purpose is to improve access to locally grown agricultural products.

Produce and Craft Market. A recurring event, held outdoors or in another defined place, on designated days and times, where market vendors consisting of agricultural producers, home processors, food market manufacturers, food market distributors and craft producers that manufactures or crafts non-food goods by the force of their own labor, are organized for the purpose of selling their products directly to the public. A minimum of thirty (30) percent of market vendors in produce and craft markets shall be food market vendors (agricultural producers, food market manufacturers, food market distributors, or home processors).

Urban Farm. An establishment where food or ornamental crops are grown and processed to be sold or donated on the same lot or off site that includes, but is not limited to, outdoor growing operations, indoor growing operations, vertical farms, aquaponics, aquaculture and rooftop farms.

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Amending Title 20, Chapter 530 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Zoning Code: Site Plan Review

The City Council of The City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That Section 530.180 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows:

530.180. - Landscaping of other areas. All other areas not governed by sections 530.160 and 530.170 and not occupied by buildings, parking and loading facilities or driveways, shall be covered with turf grass, native grasses or other perennial flowering plants, vines, mulch, shrubs, ~~or~~ trees or edible landscaping.

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Amending Title 20, Chapter 535 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Zoning Code: Regulations of General Applicability.

The City Council of The City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That Table 535-1 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended by adding thereto the following types of obstructions in alphabetical sequence to read as follows:

Table 535-1 Permitted Obstructions in Required Yards

Type of Obstruction	Front or Corner Side Yard	Interior Side Yard	Rear Yard
Arbors, or other growing support structures that are not a fence, trellis or pergola, not exceeding twenty (20) square feet in area, including eaves, and not more than eight (8) feet in height. Both the sides and the roof must be at least fifty (50) percent open, or, if latticework is used, shall be less than sixty (60) percent opaque. Such structures shall not be constructed of electrically charged wire, razor wire, chain link, chicken wire, railroad ties, utility poles, plywood or any other similar materials.	P		P
Pergolas, subject to the provisions of Chapter 537, Accessory Uses and Structures, and section 535.280 (d), (e) and (f). In a front or corner side yard pergolas shall not exceed twenty (20) square feet in area, including eaves, and not more than eight (8) feet in height.	P	P	P
Raised planting beds, not exceeding three (3) feet in height, including covered planting beds. In a front or corner side yard raised planting beds shall not be closer than five (5) feet to a front or corner side property line.	P		P

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Raised planting beds shall be constructed of durable materials and shall be compatible with the principal structure and adjacent residential properties.			

Section 2. That Section 535.360 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows

535.360. - Permitted temporary uses and structures. The following temporary uses and structures shall be permitted in all zoning districts, except as otherwise specified below, provided such temporary use or structure shall comply with the regulations of the zoning district in which it is located and all other applicable regulations of this ordinance.

(4) Seasonal outdoor sale of holiday items. The seasonal outdoor sale of holiday items~~, including but not limited to Christmas trees, wreaths and pumpkins~~ may be allowed as a temporary use. Such temporary use shall not exceed a duration of thirty-five (35) days in one (1) calendar year. In the residence and OR1 districts, such seasonal outdoor sale of holiday items shall be located on institutional and public uses property only.

(5) *Farmers' markets, Mini-markets and Produce and Craft Markets*. Farmers' markets, Mini-markets and Produce and Craft Markets may be allowed as a temporary use. Such temporary use shall not exceed a duration of seventy-five (75) days in one (1) calendar year. In the residence and OR1 districts, farmers' markets, *mini-markets and produce and craft markets* shall be located on institutional or public use sites or on zoning lots of not less than twenty thousand (20,000) square feet. Temporary farmers' markets, mini-markets and produce and craft markets shall not be located in the I3 zoning district. One (1) freestanding not exceeding eight (8) square feet in area and six (6) feet in height shall be allowed accessory to temporary farmers' market, mini-market and produce and craft market and may be permanently installed on the site, provided that such sign shall be removed if the temporary use permit is not reissued.

(8) *Farmstand.* Farmstands may be allowed as a temporary use provided that such temporary farmstand shall only sell products grown onsite and shall not exceed a duration of fifteen (15) days in one (1) calendar year. Farmstands shall be allowed only accessory to a lawfully established market garden, urban farm or community garden. Farmstands must be removed from the premises or stored inside a structure when not in operation. Only one (1) farmstand is permitted per zoning lot. Temporary farmstands shall not be located in the I3 zoning district.

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~~(8)~~(9) *Additional temporary uses.* In addition to the temporary uses and structures listed above, the zoning administrator may allow other temporary uses and structures, not exceeding fifteen days (15) in one (1) calendar year, provided the zoning administrator determines that the proposed temporary use or structure is substantially similar to a temporary use or structure listed above in the manner provided for in Chapter 525, Administration and Enforcement, governing determination of substantially similar uses.

Section 3. That Section 535.450 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows:

535.450. - Home occupation standards. Home occupations shall be subject to the following standards, except that licensed family day care and licensed group family day care shall be exempt from the provisions of sections (2), (6), (11), (12), (13) and (15):

(5) The home occupation shall be conducted only within an enclosed area of the dwelling, except that the growing of food or ornamental crops, to be sold or donated off-site, shall be exempt from this provision.

(6) Outdoor storage or display of materials, goods, supplies, or equipment related to the conduct of a home occupation shall be prohibited~~.~~, unless associated with the growing of food or ornamental crops to be sold or donated off-site. Any materials associated with the growing of food or ornamental crops shall be located entirely to the rear of the principal structure and shall not be located in a required yard unless stored within a permitted accessory structure.

(7) No home occupation shall be visible from any public right-of-way, except for allowed signage, unless associated with the growing of food or ornamental crops to be sold or donated off-site. Plantings that do not change the residential character or appearance of the dwelling, any accessory buildings or the zoning lot shall be permitted.

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Amending Title 20, Chapter 536 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Zoning Code: Specific Development Standards

The City Council of The City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That Section 536.20 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended by amending or adding thereto the following specific development standard in alphabetical sequence to read as follows:

Community Garden

(1) Overhead lighting shall be prohibited.

~~(2) Signage shall be limited to a single, non-illuminated, flat sign of four (4) square feet.~~

~~(3)~~(2) No more than two (2) vehicles shall be parked on-site, excluding those parked within an enclosed structure.

~~(4)~~(3) No retail sales shall be permitted, except as an approved temporary use, as specified in Chapter 535, Regulations of General Applicability.

(4) The use shall not be located in a required interior side yard.

(5) Outdoor growing associated with a community garden shall be exempt from the enclosed building requirements of the zoning ordinance.

Market Gardens.

(1) In the Residence and OR1 districts:

a. Mechanized equipment similar in scale to that designed for household use shall be permitted. Use of larger mechanized farm equipment is generally prohibited; provided, however, that during the initial preparation of the land heavy equipment may be used to prepare the land between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

b. No retail sales shall be permitted, except as an approved temporary use, as specified in Chapter 535, Regulations of General Applicability.

c. No more than two (2) vehicles shall be parked on-site, excluding those parked within an enclosed structure.

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d. Shipment and delivery of products or supplies shall be limited to between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. and shall regularly occur only in single rear axle straight trucks or smaller vehicles normally used to serve residential neighborhoods.

e. Overhead lighting shall be prohibited.

(2) In the C3A and downtown zoning districts market gardens shall be limited to rooftops or indoor operations unless accessory to a principal use located on the same zoning lot.

(3) Any equipment or supplies needed for garden operations shall be enclosed or otherwise screened from the street and any adjacent residential uses.

(4) The use shall not be located in a required interior side yard.

(5) Keeping of animals is prohibited

(6) Outdoor growing associated with a market garden shall be exempt from the enclosed building requirements of the zoning ordinance.

Urban Farm.

(1) Keeping of animals is prohibited.

(2) Any equipment or supplies needed for farm operations shall be fully enclosed or otherwise effectively screened from the street and any adjacent residential uses.

(3) The use shall not be located in a required interior side yard.

(4) Outdoor growing associated with an Urban Farm shall be exempt from the enclosed building requirements of the zoning ordinance.

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Amending Title 20, Chapter 537 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Zoning Code: Accessory Uses and Structures

The City Council of The City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That Section 537.110 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended by adding thereto the following allowed accessory use or structures and development standards, in alphabetical sequence to read as follows:

Animal coops, pens or other structures used to house small animals or fowl, such as a chicken, turkey, duck or pigeon. Animal coops, pens or other structures used to house small animals or fowl, such as a chicken, turkey, duck or pigeon shall be allowed accessory to a dwelling subject to the following:

(1) The use shall be located not less than twenty (20) feet from any habitable building on an adjacent property.

(2) The use shall be visually screened from any adjacent residential use.

(3) The use shall be constructed of durable materials and shall be compatible with the principal structure and adjacent residential properties.

(4) The use shall comply with the requirements of Chapter 70, Fowl, Pigeons and Other Small Animals, of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances.

Aquaponics or aquaculture. Aquaponics or aquaculture shall be allowed accessory to an urban farm or accessory to indoor market gardens located in a commercial or downtown zoning district, subject to the following:

(1) The operator shall maintain any required licensure through the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Agriculture.

(2) The tanks shall not be connected to the sewer system.

Community bulletin board. Community Bulletin Boards shall be allowed as an accessory use to institutional and public uses, subject to the following standards:

(1) A community bulletin board shall not be located in any required yard or within twenty (20) feet of any adjacent residential structure.

(2) Community bulletin boards shall not exceed eight (8) square feet in area and shall not exceed six (6) feet in height.

(3) Landscaping or other decorative materials designed to screen the base of the community bulletin board shall be provided. Such landscape or decorative materials shall be capable of screening the base of the sign all year and shall be well maintained.

(4) Illumination is prohibited.

Community Supported Agriculture drop-off/pick up: Community Supported Agriculture drop-off/pick up sites shall be allowed as an accessory use.

Compost container. Compost containers shall be allowed as an accessory use, subject to ~~Chapter 244, Housing Maintenance Code, of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances~~ the following:

(1 Compost containers shall not be closer than twenty (20) feet from any adjacent dwelling.

(2) The use shall comply with the requirements of Chapter 244, Housing Maintenance Code, section 244.70 Composting, of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances and with all applicable rules and statutes as determined by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency.

Fowl, pigeons and other small animals. Fowl, pigeons and other small animals, such as a chicken, turkey, duck or pigeon, shall be allowed accessory to a permitted or conditional residential use subject to the following:

(1) The use shall comply with the requirements of Chapter 70, Fowl, Pigeons and Other Small Animals, of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances

(2) Live slaughter shall be prohibited.

Hoop houses, cold frames or other temporary structures used solely to extend the growing season for plants. Hoop houses, cold frames or other temporary structures used solely to extend the growing season for plants shall be allowed as an accessory use subject to the applicable district regulations. Notwithstanding the provisions of Chapter 537, hoop houses, cold frames or other temporary structures used solely to extend the growing season for plants shall be exempt from the maximum floor area of all accessory structures, provided that the total size of such temporary structures shall not exceed one thousand (1,000) square feet or fifteen (15) percent of the lot area, whichever is greater, and shall not exceed a duration of one hundred eighty (180) days.

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Amending Title 20, Chapter 541 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances Relating to Zoning Code: Off-Street Parking and Loading.

The City Council of the City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the following portion(s) of Table 541.1 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended by adding thereto the following in alphabetical sequence to read as follows:

Table 541-1 Specific Off-Street Parking Requirements

Use	**Minimum Parking Requirement**	**Maximum Parking Allowed**	**Notes (see 541.170)**
COMMERCIAL USES			
Retail Sales and Services			
Market Garden	1 space per 5,000 sq. ft. of growing or storage area	1 space per 2,500 sq. ft. of growing or storage area or as determined by Chapter 536 Specific Development Standards.	1 The minimum requirement of 4 spaces shall not apply
INDUSTRIAL USES			
Specific Industrial Uses			
Urban Farm	1 space per 500 sq. ft. of GFA of office, sales, or display area in excess of 4,000 sq. ft. (minimum of 4 spaces) + 1 space per 5,000 sq. ft. of growing or storage area	1 space per 200 sq. ft. of GFA of office, sales, or display area + 1 space per 2,500 sq. ft. of growing or storage area	1

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Section 2. That Table 541-3 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended by adding thereto the following in alphabetical sequence to read as follows

Table 541-3 Bicycle Parking Requirements

Use	**Minimum Bicycle Parking Requirement**	**Notes (see 541.180**
Minimum bicycle parking requirement, in general. Non-residential uses having one thousand (1,000) square feet or less shall be exempt from minimum bicycle parking requirements. Unlisted uses do not have a minimum bicycle parking requirement.		
COMMERCIAL USES		
Market Garden	3 spaces	1
INDUSTRIAL USES		
Specific Industrial Uses		
Urban Farm	3 spaces	1

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Amending Title 20, Chapter 543 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances Relating to Zoning Code: On-Premise Signs.

The City Council of the City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the following portion(s) of Table 543-1 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows:

Table 543-1 Specific Standards for Signs in the Residence and OR1 Districts

Use	*Sign Standards*
COMMERCIAL USES	
Market Garden	One (1) nonilluminated identification sign not exceeding eight (8) sq. ft. Maximum height of six (6) ft.

Section 2. That Section 535.360 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows

543.220. Farmers' market. Notwithstanding the provisions of Tables 543-1 Specific Standards for Signs in the Residence and OR1 Districts, 543-2, Specific Standards for Signs in the OR2, OR3 and Commercial Districts, 543-3, Specific Standards for Signs in the Downtown Districts, and 543-4 Specific Standards for Signs in the Industrial Districts, signage accessory to a farmers' market shall be limited to one (1) square foot of signage per one (1) foot of street frontage of the zoning lot. One (1) freestanding sign shall be allowed per zoning lot. Freestanding signs shall not exceed fifty-four (54) square feet in area and ~~fourteen (14)~~ eight (8) feet in height. All other signs shall not exceed forty-five (45) square feet in area and ~~fourteen (14)~~ eight (8) feet in height. ~~Signs for temporary farmers' markets shall not be permanently installed on the site.~~

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Amending Title 20, Chapter 546 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Zoning Code: Residence Districts.

The City Council of The City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the following portion of Table 546-1 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows:

Table 546-1 Principal Uses in Residence Districts

Use	***R1***	***R1A***	***R2***	***R2B***	***R3***	***R4***	***R5***	***R6***	***Specific Development Standards***
COMMERCIAL USES									
Market Garden, with a planting area of 10,000 sq. ft. or less	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	✓
Market Garden, with a planting area greater than 10,000 sq. ft.	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	✓

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Amending Title 20, Chapter 547 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Zoning Code: Office Residence Districts.

The City Council of the City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the following portion(s) of Table 547-1 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows:

Table 547-1 Principal Uses in the Office Residence Districts

Use	***OR1***	***OR2***	***OR3***	***Specific Dev. Standards***
COMMERCIAL USES				
Market Garden, with a planting area of 9,999 sq. ft. or less	P	P	P	✓
Market Garden, with a planting area equal to or greater than 10,000 sq. ft.	C	P	P	✓

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Amending Title 20, Chapter 548 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Zoning Code: Commercial Districts.

The City Council of the City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the following portion(s) of Table 548-1 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows:

Table 548-1 Principal Uses in the Commercial Districts

Use	***C1***	***C2***	***C3A***	***C3S***	***C4***	***Specific Development Standards***
COMMERCIAL USES						
Market Garden	P	P	P	P	P	✓
PRODUCTION, PROCESSING AND STORAGE						
Urban Farm					C	✓

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Amending Title 20, Chapter 549 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Zoning Code: Downtown Districts.

The City Council of The City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the following portion of Table 549-1 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows:

Table 549-1 Principal Uses in the Downtown Districts

Use	***B4***	***B4S***	***B4C***	***B4N***	***Specific Development Standards***
COMMERCIAL USES					
Retail Sales and Service					
Market Garden	P	P	P	P	✓

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Amending Title 20, Chapter 550 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Zoning Code: Industrial Districts.

The City Council of the City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the following portion(s) of Table 545-1 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows:

Table 547-1 Principal Uses in the Office Residence Districts

Use	***I1***	***I2***	***I3***	***Specific Dev. Standards***
INDUSTRIAL USES				
Specific Industrial Uses				
Urban Farm	P	P		✓

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