

Make the following adjustments to the Agricultural Zone for the purpose of accommodating farm sales and associated sales directly to the consumer. New or deleted text is in **BOLD** print.

## "A" - AGRICULTURAL ZONE

### Section 6.01 - PERMITTED USES

No building or part thereof shall be hereafter used, erected, or altered, or land used, in whole or in part, in the A-Agricultural Zone except for:

- A. Those uses permitted in the R-2 Residential Zone under the terms provided for such uses, except as altered in this Chapter.
- B. Farms for both general and specialized farming, together with farm dwellings and buildings, and other installations usual to such farms, including roadside stands, provided that such stands sell products grown on the premises ~~and are situated so as to provide adequate off-highway parking for customers.~~
- C. Greenhouses, nurseries, orchards, groves and vineyards, apiaries, farms for breeding of domestic animals, and sanctuaries for wild birds and animals provided the sanctuaries shall be approved by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.
- D. Agricultural warehouses and storage plants, milk processing plants, primary processing plants for non-animal farm products, and such other enterprises connected with farm production as shall be approved by the Planning Commission.
- E. Home occupations.
- F. Forest preserves and farm woodlots.
- G. Public and privately-owned parks, playgrounds and golf courses with customary service buildings and structures incident thereto.
- H. Public-owned buildings excluding sewage treatment plants, solid waste disposal plants, warehouses, garages and shops or storage yards.
- I. Additional dwellings on any farm for the use of farm or domestic employees of the owner or his lessees, provided there is only one (1) such tenant house in addition to the main dwelling for each ten (10) acres of farm land, and provided that each such tenant house is surrounded by sufficient land to provide a future separate lot of one and one-half (1 ½) acres and a minimum width at the building line of two hundred (200) feet.
- J. Migrant workers' facilities approved in accordance with state law.
- K. Any agricultural, horticultural, or husbandry use unless otherwise specifically prohibited by this Ordinance.
- L. Country arts or craft type shops **and farm markets** of a similar nature where the business is conducted **on land owned and farmed by the owner within structures existing prior to May 29, 1979.** ~~No building or structure used for this~~

**purpose shall exceed the footprint of the principal farm dwelling on the property.**

- M. The following uses may be permitted within the A-Zone upon approval as a special exception by the Planning Commission pursuant to Section 19.07: chicken hatcheries, poultry farms, processing plants for dressing of poultry and domestic animals, farms for breeding of poultry, breeding and boarding kennels, and extraction of mineral resources less than two (2) acres in surface area.
- N. Septage Waste Storage – Only a closed septage waste storage tank regulated under Public Act 381 of 2004, as amended may be permitted upon approval of a special exception by the Planning Commission pursuant to Section 19.07 of this Ordinance.

**Add the following definitions to Section 1.03 of the Zoning Ordinance:**

**Farm: The land, plants, animals, buildings, structures, including ponds used for agricultural or agricultural activities, machinery, equipment, and other appurtenances used in the commercial production of farm products.**

**Farm Market: A place or an area where transactions between a farm market operator and customers take place offering for sale of fresh agricultural products grown on-site and related products.**