



UDC Update Request Application for External Parties ***(neighborhoods, external agencies, stakeholders, etc.)***

Part 1. Applicant Information

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(Include title if representing a governmental agency or public/private organization)

Part 2. Basis for Update (check only one)

- ☒ Clarification amendments to provide for ease of interpretation and understanding of the existing provisions of the UDC
(Note: Clarification amendments should not change or alter the intent or meaning of existing UDC provisions)
- ☐ Editing change that does not alter the impact of the provisions being addressed including changes such as spelling, grammar correction, formatting, text selection, or addition of text in compliance with existing ordinance, statutes or case law
- ☐ Completed Rule Interpretation Determination (RID)
- ☐ Requested by the Zoning Commission, Planning Commission, Board of Adjustment, HDRC, City Council or other appropriate city board or council (CCR, resolution or signature of the chairperson is required)

Part 3. Reason(s) for Update (check all that apply)

- ☐ Modify procedures and standards for workability and administrative efficiency
- ☐ Eliminate unnecessary development costs
- ☒ Update the procedures and standards to reflect changes in the law or the state of the art in land use planning and urban design
- ☐ See Part 4 (if none of the provided choices in this section apply, please discuss the reasons for the proposed update in Part 4)

Part 4. Summary of Proposed Update with Suggested Text (see application instructions)

Add urban agriculture-related definitions to Definitions and Rules of Interpretation.

UDC 2021 Proposed Amendment

Amendment 6-7**Applicant:** Food Policy Council of San Antonio**Amendment Title** – Sec. 35-A101. - Definitions and Rules of Interpretation.**Amendment Language:**

Civic uses. Any of the following uses, as defined in the use matrix, which uses are hereby found to provide focal points for community interaction and foster citizen participation in civic activities:

Churches, temples, synagogues, mosques, and other religious facilities.

Clubs or lodges

College or university facilities

[Community Gardens](#)

Day care centers

Exhibitions and art galleries

Grade schools

Library buildings

Meeting halls or clubhouses

Movie theaters

Museum, exhibition, or similar facilities

Performance theaters

Postal

Public administration

School or university buildings

Trade or specialty school facilities

[Urban Farms](#)

[High Tunnel. See Hoophouse.](#)

[Hoophouse. A temporary structure constructed of translucent material and supported on metal or plastic pipe, which is devoted to the protection or cultivation of flowers or other tender plants. Also called High Tunnel.](#)

Produce. Fresh fruits [and/or](#) vegetables, [honey, eggs, nuts, and other agricultural products.](#)

Residential market garden. A garden at one's residence that grows produce incidental to a residential use. Excess produce may be sold on site or elsewhere. In order to maintain residential character, sales of produce shall be so conducted as to not be visible from any public street or walk. ~~Sales on the property must be conducted out of sight of the general public.~~

Soil organic matter (SOM. The organic component of soil, consisting of three primary parts including small (fresh) plant residues and small living soil organisms, decomposing (active) organic matter, and stable organic matter (humus). Soil organic matter serves as a reservoir of nutrients for crops, trees, shrubs, and vegetation, and provides soil aggregation, increases nutrient exchange, retains moisture, reduces compaction, reduces surface crusting, and increases water infiltration into soil. (Sources: NRCS)

~~Truck farm. A small tract of land (less than ten (10) acres) on which produce is raised and sold by the owner on site or at off-site markets.~~

Urban farm. A tract of land within city limits, not at one's own residence, on which produce is raised and sold on site or elsewhere. This can include farming and/or greenhouses and/or hoophouses on vacant lots or acreage. Composting of vegetative materials produces on the farm or elsewhere is allowed, as long as it is covered by dry material to prevent nuisance conditions. A farmstand or market may be located on the site. In addition to holding a market, an urban farm may host educational events and/or serve as an event venue, provided that sufficient off-street parking is provided.
