

AREAS OF LOCAL POLICY THAT AFFECT URBAN AGRICULTURE AND COMMUNITY GARDENING

NOTE: This list was produced with the understanding that there may not be specific ordinances or statute covering it, rather many procedures may be governed by administrative rules or specific department guidelines

LAND TENURE AND USAGE

Including city or county policy on land sales; first rights of refusal on abandoned; non-buildable lots; time frames for non-owner use
TRANSFER OF PROPERTY/ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENTS
STRUCTURES ON URBAN LAND

Including modifications to existing structures; housing and building codes

TRESPASS

LIABILITY

NOXIOUS WEEDS ORDINANCES/NUISANCE/MAINTENANCE

Including heights of plants, which might cover some public safety issues (overgrowth as place to hide, etc.); neatness and aesthetics
COMPOST/"Unwholesome substances"

STREETS /SANITATION/FLOODING

STORMWATER CONTAINMENT OR USE

SOIL TOXINS/ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH STANDARDS THAT WOULD PROHIBIT USE FOR FOOD

including contact standards (as people are gardening)

ENTREPRENEURIAL ACTIVITY

Including use of public land for profit-making activities; sale of vegetables/health codes; food handling; food processing; commercial sales and how that relates to use-based zoning

LOCAL PURCHASING/PREFERENTIAL PURCHASING

LIVESTOCK RAISING

Including processing/slaughtering, sales, food handling

WATER USAGE/WATER ACCESS

AIR QUALITY/TRANSPORTATION OUTPUT MITIGATION (as opportunity - gardens capture CO2)

SEED POLICY

USE ZONING/MIXED USE