



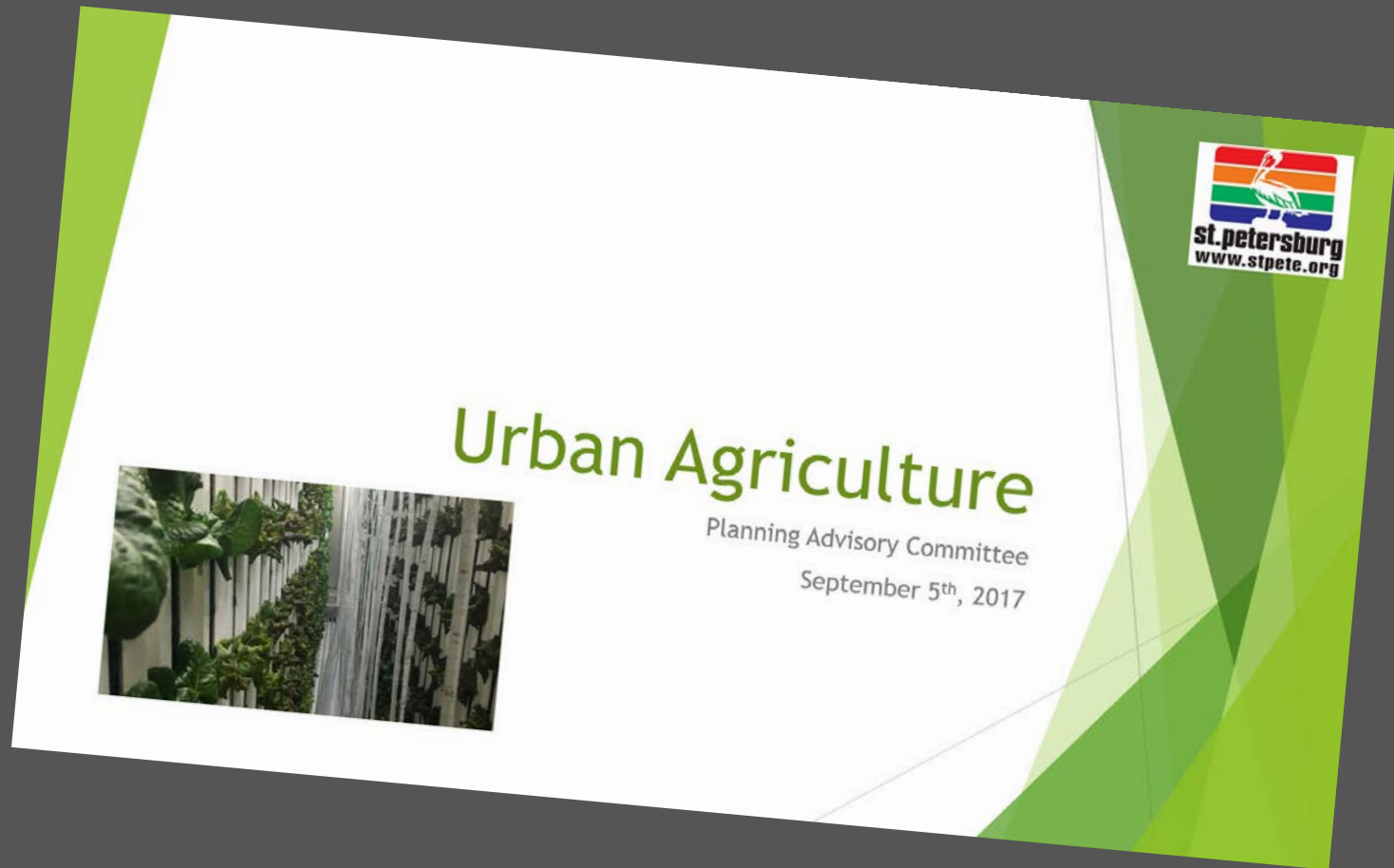
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Integrating Land Use & Transportation

Urban Agriculture

The Knowledge Exchange Series

Planners Advisory Committee
June 4, 2018

Partnership with the City of St. Petersburg



Why encourage urban farming?



Increases access
to fresh food



Encourages
healthier eating
habits



Decreases food
transport miles



Why encourage urban farming?



ST.PETE
CLEARWATER THINGS TO DO

Gulfport Tuesday Fresh Market



THE RITZ-CARLTON
CHARLOTTE

THE ROOFTOP
GARDEN AND
RESIDENT
HONEYBEES



AMERICA'S
FARM-TO-FORK CAPITAL
SACRAMENTO, CA



What does urban farming look like?

Traditional Farm



Hydroponics



Outdoor Wall Garden



Community Garden



Rooftop Garden



Indoor Farm



What does urban farming look like?

Chickens



Fish



Bees



Compost



Sales



Education



Regulating urban farming

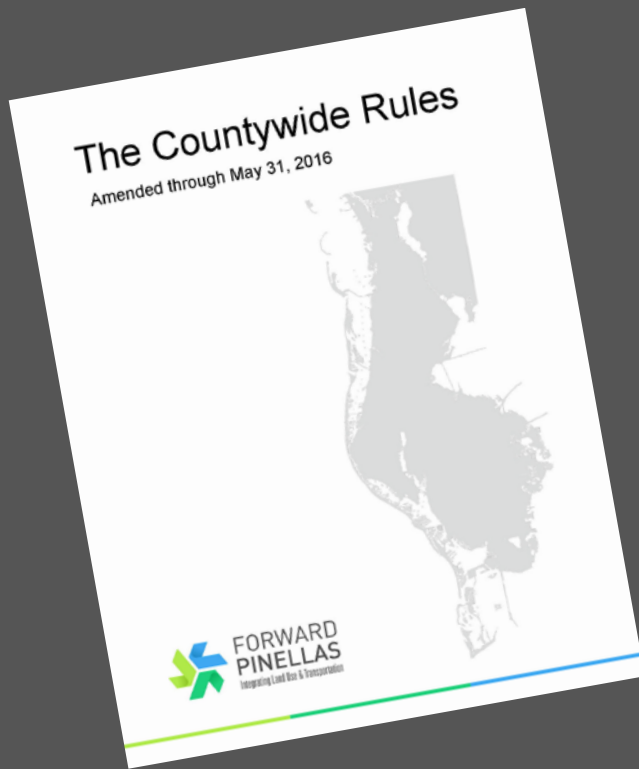
- What do you want to allow?
 - Indoor vs. outdoor
 - Crops vs. animals
 - Commercial vs. nonprofit
- Where/how do you want to allow it?
 - Land use and zoning categories
 - Approval process
- Other considerations
 - Supportive activities (e.g., sales)
 - Potential impacts



Amending the Countywide Rules

Currently allows:

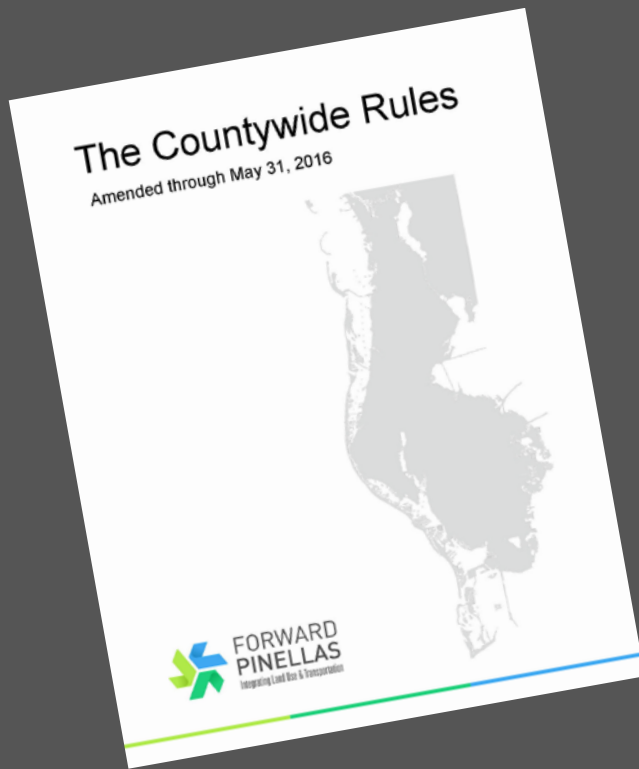
- Agriculture
 - Permits cattle, horses, etc.
 - Allowed in lower-density residential, commercial and industrial categories
- Community gardens
 - Nonprofit only
 - Very limited sales
 - Allowed in nearly all categories



Amending the Countywide Rules

Proposed addition:

- Agriculture-Light
 - Impacts contained on site (similar to Manufacturing-Light)
 - Nonprofit or commercial
 - Small livestock only
 - On-site sales permitted
 - Allowed in nearly all categories



The Florida Right to Farm Act

Section 823.14(6), Florida Statutes:

- Commercial farms operating for one year
- Classified as “agricultural land” by the property appraiser
- Prohibits local government from adopting any regulation to “prohibit, restrict, regulate or otherwise limit” farming operations



Local government efforts to encourage urban farming



Allow on-site sales



Composting programs



Land inventory

city of CINCINNATI 

Urban Agriculture Grants

The City of Cincinnati is offering mini-grants to support urban agriculture in 2017. Funds are available for agricultural production and growing sites as well as aggregation distribution sites.

Small grants



Local technical assistance



So you want to GROW CROPS?

WHERE can I grow them?

Front, back and side yards

What about public RIGHT-OF-WAYS between the sidewalk & street?



KES Technical Assistance



Handbook



Blog Post



Video





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Questions/Discussion

