

**Town of Lyons, Colorado
Board of Trustees
BOT Agenda Cover Sheet
Agenda Item No: VI. 6.
Meeting Date: September 3, 2024**

TO: Mayor Rogin and Members of the Board of Trustees

FROM: Andrew Bowen, Senior Planner

DATE: 08/29/2024

ITEM: 2nd Reading – Ordinance 1172 – an Ordinance of the Town of Lyons, Colorado, Amending Section 16-10-90 of the Lyons Municipal Code to Allow Farmers Markets as a Permitted Use in the Commercial and Commercial-Downtown Zones

☒ ORDINANCE
☐ MOTION / RESOLUTION
☐ INFORMATION

- I. **REQUEST OR ISSUE:** Staff requests that the BOT host a public hearing and consider amending the Town of Lyons Municipal Code to allow Farmers Markets as a permitted use (secondary and conditional use permit) in the Commercial and Commercial-Downtown Zones.
- II. **PROJECT HISTORY:** Farmers markets are currently operating within the town without legitimate permission. In speaking with staff, the PCDC, and community members, complaints about these farmer's markets have never been. The general opinion is that farmers' markets are an important component of Lyon's character.
- This code amendment seeks to create a regulatory framework for future farmers' markets while not changing the current operations of existing uses. The ordinance was approved on first reading on August 19, 2024, and a public hearing was noticed for September 3rd.
- III. **RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHER PLANS:** This text amendment will primarily occur within Article 10, Supplementary Regulations. This is where specific standards for various land uses are established so they do not get buried in other sections of the code.
- IV. **RECOMMENDED ACTION / NEXT STEPS:** Staff recommends that the BOT schedule a 2nd reading and public hearing of the proposed text amendment.
- V. **FISCAL IMPACTS:** This amendment should allow additional local revenue to be generated.
- VI. **LEGAL ISSUES:** The Town Attorney has reviewed the ordinance.
- VII. **CONFLICTS OR ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES:** None known.

VIII. **SUMMARY AND ALTERNATIVES:** The BOT could decide not to move forward with the text amendment or decide to offer amendments. If the amendment is not approved, the town will need to enforce the ordinance and remove markets from the downtown area.

PROPOSED MOTION: “I move to approve Ordinance 1172 (an Ordinance of the Town of Lyons, Colorado, Amending Section 16-10-90 of the Lyons Municipal Code to Allow Farmers Markets as a Permitted Use in the Commercial and Commercial-Downtown Zones) on second reading.”