

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE
COUNTY OF AMADOR, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

IN THE MATTER OF:

RESOLUTION OF INTENTION TO AMEND TITLE 19)
(ZONING) OF THE AMADOR COUNTY CODE TO)
CONSIDER ADOPTING REGULATIONS PERTAINING) RESOLUTION NO. 20-073
TO BREWERY TASTING ROOMS, AGRITOURISM, and)
USE OF SECONDARY DWELLINGS IN THE "AG,")
EXCLUSIVE AGRICULTURE ZONING DISTRICT.)

WHEREAS, the Amador County Board of Supervisors adopted the 2016 General Plan Update on October 4, 2016; and

WHEREAS, said General Plan includes the following policies promoting agricultural and agritourism:

- Policy LU-1.3: Encourage development patterns which... protect agricultural land and natural resources;
- Policy LU-1.5: Encourage the continued viability of agricultural production in the County's agricultural areas;
- Policy E-7.3: Encourage agri-tourism which provides an additional source of income to farmers and ranchers;
- Policy E-8.2: On lands under Williamson Act contracts, provide for and support value-added agricultural activities designed to provide an additional source of farming income while maintaining the land for viable agricultural production, in accordance with state law;
- Policy E-8.3: Provide for and support value-added agricultural activities designed to provide an additional source of farming income while maintaining the land for viable agricultural production;
- Policy E-8.4: Promote development of support businesses associated with agri-tourism; and

WHEREAS, there are approximately 200,000 acres of agricultural land in Amador County, 85,000 of which are enrolled in California Land Conservation Act (Williamson Act) contracts;

WHEREAS, the Agricultural Advisory Committee, on December 18, 2019, recommended that the Board of Supervisors consider amendments to County Code Title 19 (Zoning) to accommodate brewery tasting rooms, agritourism, and alternate uses of second dwellings on lands included in Williamson Act contracts; and

WHEREAS, County Code Section 19.68.020 requires amendments to Title 19 (Zoning) to be initiated by citizen petition or a Resolution of Intent adopted by the Planning Commission or Board of Supervisors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED the Board of Supervisors of the County of Amador, State of California, does hereby adopt a Resolution of Intention to direct staff and the Planning Commission to begin proceedings necessary to amend County Code Chapter 19.24.036, AG district - Use Regulations, to establish regulations for brewery tasting rooms, agritourism, and alternate uses of secondary dwellings on lands included in Williamson Act contracts.

The foregoing resolution was duly passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Amador at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 26th day of May, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: Patrick Crew, Frank Axe, Richard Forster, Jeff Brown, Brian Oneto
NOES:
ABSENT:



Patrick Crew, CHAIR, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

JENNIFER BURNS, Clerk of the
Board of Supervisors, Amador County,
California

By  _____
Deputy