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wide open opportunity

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Community Development Department

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- County wide
- Applicant: County Staff
- **Request: To add a subsection “Healthy Places” in Chapter 8**

Emerging Issues:



- Growing trend to support local and healthy food sources specifically, more widely available food sources such as farmer's markets, community gardens and urban agriculture.
- “Healthy Places” will address the availability of healthy food and will include a series of goals, objective and policies

Impacts on policy direction



- Further reiterates and passes on our agricultural heritage to future residents.
- This will let staff look into and will support future zoning ordinance amendments that will address the growing trend to build healthy communities.
- Impacts to Comp. Plan Vision Components:
 - ▣ Sense of community: Create gathering places that foster a sense of place within a community.
 - ▣ Healthy Happy Residents: encourages interaction with the natural environment.

Goal, Objective and Policies

- **8.5 Goal:** Pinal County and its residents have access to healthy foods.
- **8.5.1 Objective:** Support the availability of healthy foods.
- **Policies:**
 - ▣ *8.5.1.1 Support sustainable local food systems including farmer's markets, community supported agriculture, and urban agriculture.*
 - ▣ *8.5.1.2 Support fresh food stands and community gardens to supplement the availability of healthy food.*
 - ▣ *8.5.1.3 Amend zoning regulations to allow the collocation of farmers markets and community gardens at school locations, recreational areas and worship sites within Planned Area Developments.*

Public Participation



- Neighborhood meeting
- 60 day review
- BOS work-session
- P&Z work-session

Recommendations

- Citizen Advisory Committee
 - ▣ Forwarded to P&Z with no recommendation (4-4 vote)

- Planning and Zoning Commission
 - ▣ Voted (5-4) to recommend denial
 - Concerns:
 - Need for amendment – is this really a problem?
 - How will the county regulate farmers markets (restrooms, etc.)
 - regulations of produce sold at markets

- Staff Recommendation
 - ▣ Staff recommends approval of this request