



City of Auburn, Maine

Economic & Community Development

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Re: Potential Changes to the Agriculture and Resource Protection Zoning District

Dear Neighbor,

At the request of the Conservation Commission and the Auburn Planning Board you have been sent this letter because property you own is in the Agriculture and Resource Protection Zoning District (ARP). Over the winter, changes to the district have been proposed and are currently being discussed by the Mayor, Planning Board, City Council and Conservation Commission.

The Auburn Planning Board held a Workshop March 12 and will hold another **Workshop April 9** in order to have informed discussion and input on the subject. **No action is being taken.** No action will be taken to possibly change the standards of the zone until the City Council has held at least one workshop and two public hearings or readings on proposed changes, possibly in May or June. No dates have yet been set for the City Council to do so. The following meetings have been scheduled:

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| April 8 | Bates student presentation, analysis of change & comparative examples of how other communities have met the same goals & best practices |
| April 9 | Auburn Planning Board Workshop |
| April 16 | Auburn Conservation Commission – tentative Public Hearing |
| May 14 | Auburn Planning Board – tentative Public Hearing |

The above meetings will be held at 6:00 PM in either the City Council Chambers or Community Room, on the 2nd floor of Auburn Hall, 60 Court Street, Auburn, Maine. Information on proposed changes, committee work on the subject and the Planning Boards' work is available on the City's website at: www.auburnmaine.gov/Pages/Government/Planning-Board-Agendas; <http://agzone-auburnme.opendata.arcgis.com> and/or <http://www.auburnmaine.gov/pages/government/mag-arp> .

To provide input or ask questions you can also send a letter to the letterhead address or email at agriculture@auburnmaine.gov.