

Camp Verde Zoning Workshop: Livestock Update

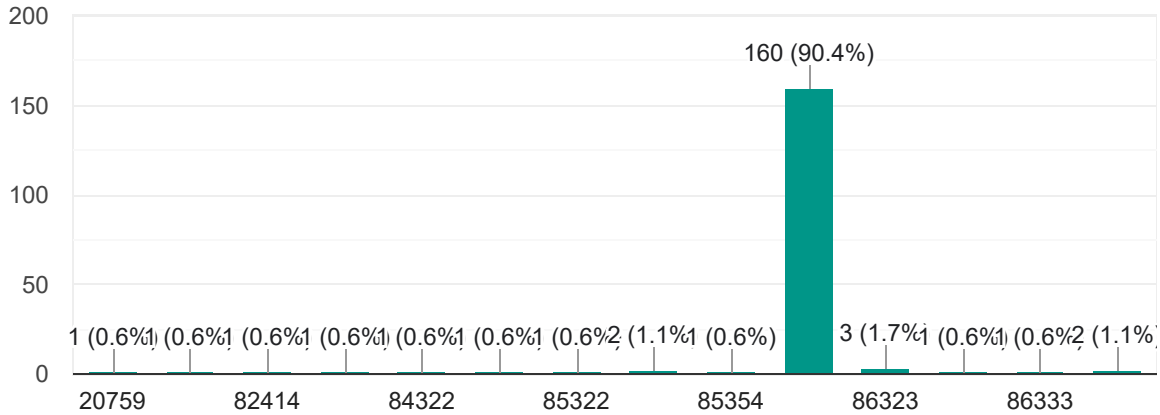
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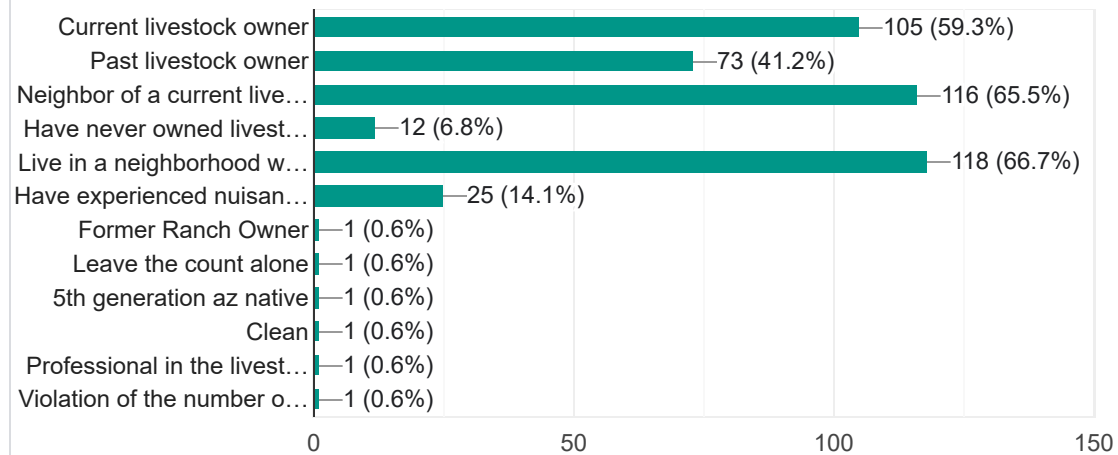
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With regard to your personal experience relating to livestock, please mark all that apply:



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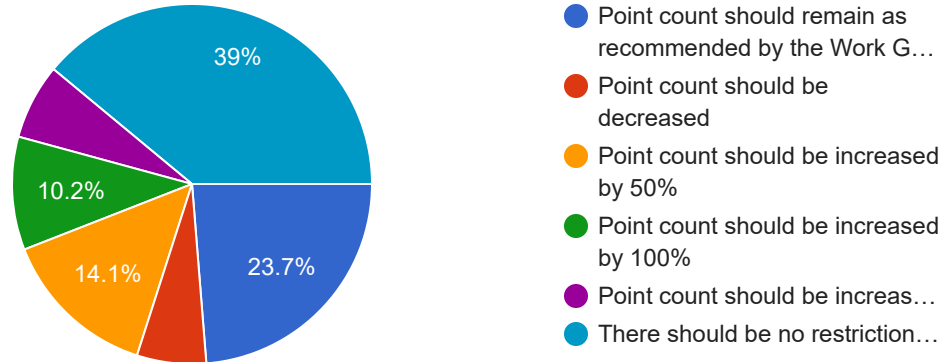


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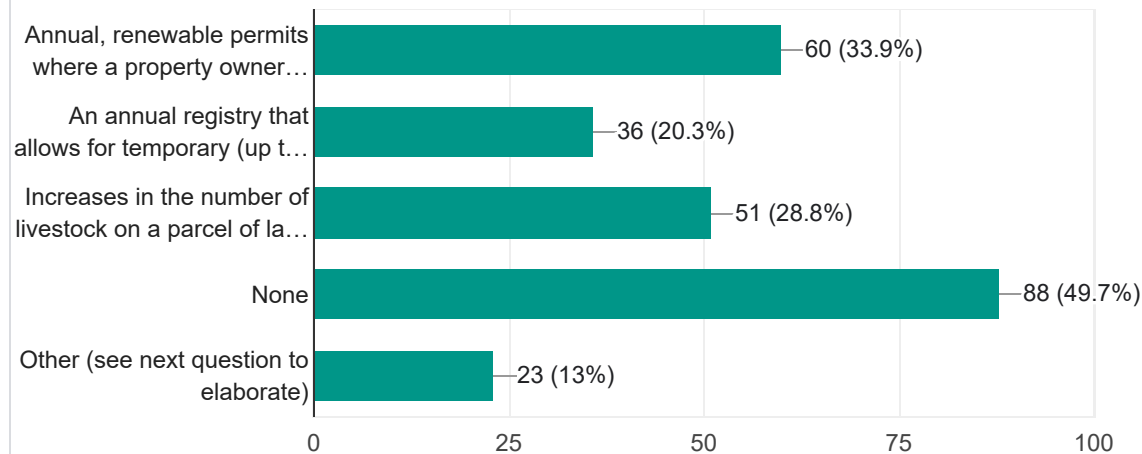
Section 305 of the current ordinance allots 24 animal points for a minimum lot size of 1/2 acre to 1 acre. Each additional 1/4 acre is allotted an additional 6 points. The Work Group’s current recommendation is to retain this point count structure. Please mark one of the following:

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The Work Group is exploring some modifications to the animal point counts. The following is a list of scenarios being considered. Please mark all that you feel should be explored.

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If you indicated "Other" in the question above, please explain. If not, feel free to write "N/A".

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N/A

Na

N/a

NA

n/a

Na

No points to one's OWN property! Focus on nuisance issues should they arise.

I answered the question

I didn't select other

There should be no points and I do not believe a permit system is not fair to people, especially if you're going to charge a fee. The system needs to be about each individual, if there is a problem then deal with that instead of making everyone limited.

Any permitting process must be defined in such a way that an incoming enforcer can not change the rules for someone already permitted and following the rules.

You should not have to control non resident or guest animals. They are just that. We don't control how many additional vehicles or children or families. What animals I have should not matter.

30 day limit per calendar year should be removed. We dont need micromanagement

No Way should you have annual renewable permits. No way you should have an annual animal registry that allows for temporary (up to 30 day) increases.

I disagree with allowing increases in the number of livestock between the hours of 6am and 10pm because of no annual limit.

Apply a nuisance standard and simplify the entire process. There should be no restrictions on animal counts if nuisance standards are applied. Remove enforcement from Planning and

Development Department.

Nope

Leave as is.

N/

Tighten up on thr nuisances and at that point what animals we have or how many we have shouldn't matter.

N:A

It's your property, you should be able to use it as such.

I feel like the town should have less say in homeowners business.

No limitations but instead if a complaint is made then someone sees if it is valid. If property is clean and animals cared for then leave us alone.

People should not have to get permits to use their land

There should not have to be a permit, registry, or anything to have temporary livestock that sets you over the animal count.

N A

The current point system seems fair

Increase of allotted animals should not be subject to permits/ registry. Base allotment should be increased without additional stipulations.

I don't think we should have to have a permit or anything to increase the number of livestock, as long as people can feed and take care of the animals it shouldn't matter how many or what kind they have.

Who will define excellence? How will do the survey, why risk expansion. If the counts are accepted why allow increase. Does not make sense. The counts are the counts period!

NA

My land i don't need a permit

Move back to the city if you don't like it here. Thx

A permit for the increased count should not be required as there are already codes in place to be able to enforce nuisances and monitor. If There isn't a need to get additional permission to utilize your land in accordance with a code that allows for certain amount of points per acre. we don't need more hassle for the town staff. It is enforceable by other codes that manage nuisance complaints and that is genuinely the only concern other community members would have. Having a permit is duplicating something that doesn't need duplication.

I do not want any further restrictions put on what I can do on my own property. There are already codes in place for neighbors to address nuisances and I feel that is adequate.

N?A

Manure count is silly and will serve no purpose to decrease whatever people complain about (especially smell)
Compost it by mound storing it

Should be 2 large animals per acre. Unlimited small animals. Doesn't matter about residency. Respect your neighbor as far as clean up. Special events should have to be approved by town and permit given.

There is no system of code enforcement to monitor any changes to the current ordinance

Limiting the number of livestock is redundant and overreaching. As we already have cleanliness and nuisance statutes and laws. If a person no matter the number of animals is already under scrutiny through these current laws and codes why are we adding another blanket restriction? If the nuisance of any Number of animals could rise to a level of non compliance why would we restrict those from having more animals if they can operate within nuisance and cleanliness compliance? This would be restrictions based on assumptions rather than performance.

I think this could get over regulated with too many non livestock people shutting down the rural lifestyle. It seems to become all red tape and also a tax burden. Maybe the money that will be spent on regulation should be spent on enforcement of reasonable logical laws (that address the conditions of the animals and the habitat) Possibly expand your code enforcement to include an officer that is in charge of animal neglect rather than animal count.

There should be lower number of total points on in town residential properties. Especially where there are a large number of smaller residential parcels impacted by larger parcels.

We don't need permission to use as our property as we deem appropriate. If we're following the rules, leave us alone. This is similar to gun control in that those who break the law already are not going to register. So who does this really affect? Those who already follow the law.

Stupid waste of resources, time, and our freedom. Enforce what already exists instead of bowing to newcomers with no common sense or understanding of rural life. Continue with the point system so there's something to hold people accountable to. Incorporate a strike system (perhaps 2 unresolved strikes and you're in trouble) where unresolved issues are monitored, cited if necessary and handled through the court. The solution is not to inflict more infringement and control of our rights, rather to protect the rights already granted.

Permits are just a way for the Community Development Department to give special privileges to their friends and ignore other property owners right to the enjoyment of their property. This effectively leads to spot zoning, diminution of neighboring property values, which will lead to compensation law suites filed against the Town. This compensation will have to be paid by Camp Verde tax payers.

N/a

Remove 30 day limit annually on guest animals. Keep 10 day limit to prevent abuse of overnight guest animals.

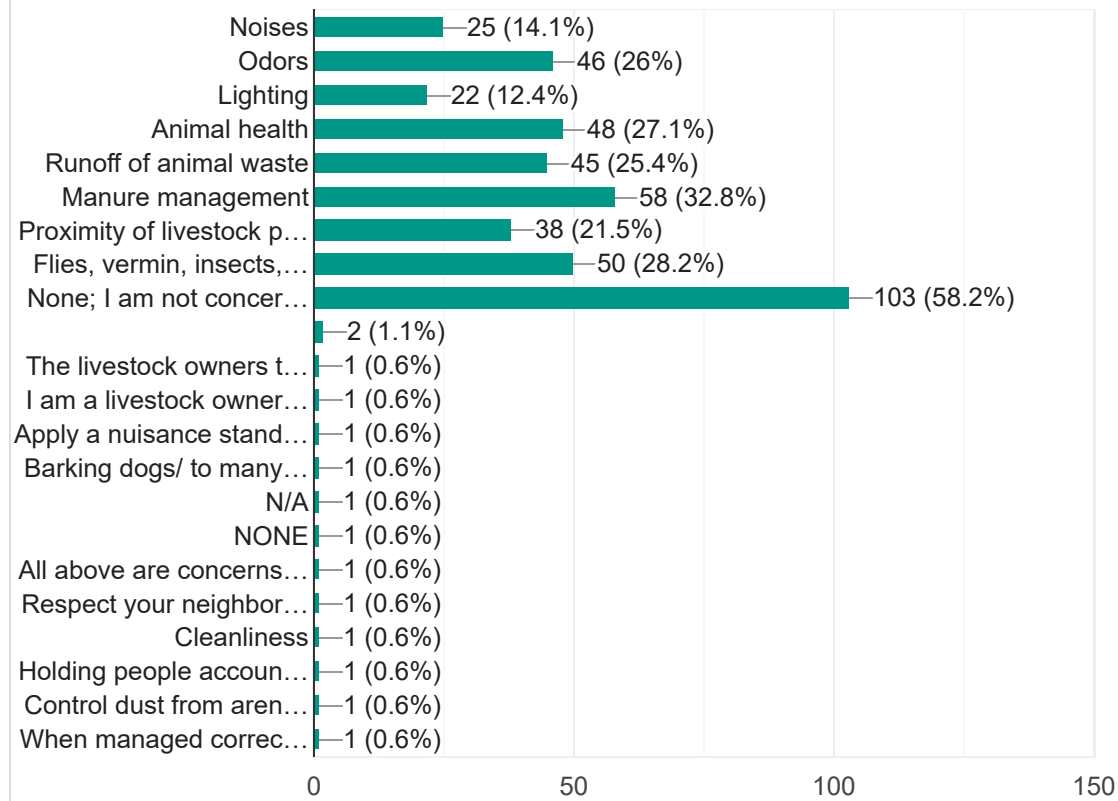
No, no, no on pig breeding operations. A youth project on raising a market pig is okay. No breeding!

None of the above are acceptable

Please check all livestock nuisances you're concerned about.



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Please rank your top three nuisance concerns, with one being your greatest concern. If you responded "None" to the previous question, please respond "N/A" to this question.

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N/A

Na

NA

N/a

n/a

Manure management

Na

No concerns

Manure management, run off, animal health

Manure .management flies odor

Care maintenance for the quality of life of all animals

Manure, fly an pests, animal health

1 animal health, 2 manure mgmnt, 3 flies

1. Manure management 2. Flies, vermin, insects, and other pests 3.Runoff of animal waste

Flies

1.Proximity of livestock pens to neighboring parcel boundaries; 2.Lighting 3.Flies, vermin, insects, and other pests

Manure management, flies, oders

All of them

1-Manure Management

2-Runoff of animal waste

3-Flies, etc
4. Animal health

1. Noises
2. Odors
3. Animal health

Our town has witnessed arbitrary and capricious enforcement of code provisions. A “nuisance” standard would remedy this.

1 2 4

1,4,8

1-4-6

1/2/4

1 4 6

None

manure mgt, odors, animal health

Odors, flies and others lighting.

Animal health, manure management, runoff of waste

Animal health; pests; noise

Have pets that you don't take care of.

Runoff, manure, flies vermin

Poverty,infrastructure, and economic development

Animal Health, Runoff,

Animal health, manure and fly/oest management

none

Health, odor, flies

Only concern I have is when people move to the community and want to change our ways in our town... we need to keep camp verde rural

Proximity and setback; manure management; odors

Animal Health

Manure

Largely concerned that proximity to property line is being discussed. Owners should be allowed to go up to their property line with whatever they want to do

Concerned we are catering to people worried about lights and odors it sounds like they should buy their own island or move somewhere very remote.

N A

Odors, flies, proximity

Animal health, pests, manure

1. Flies, vermin, insects, and other pests 2. Odors 3. Noises

Manure management, run off, flies etc

Move back to the city if you don't like it here. Thx

Animal health, manure management, flies and pests

Animal health, flies, manure management

I don't have any

Respect neighbors

odors

See top 3 answers

Proximity of livestock pens to neighboring parcel boundaries, manure management, flies,vermin,insects and other pests

Health and care of animals

Vermin, manure, animal waste

Jackpot ranch stole a horse and gave it away and refuses to help

Cleanliness - 1, odor - 2

Runoff of animal waste, proximity of pens to neighbors, lighting

1)Animal health 2) runoff from waste 3)proximity of livestock pens to neighbor fences

Greatest concern is over regulation by people who don't have common sense and also no common sense laws..

N/a

Proximity, odor, noise

Odors, runoff of animal waste into water wells, flies

1. Flies, vermin, insects, pests, and odors
2. Proximity of livestock pens to neighboring parcel boundaries
3. Manure Management

In any scenario there will always be someone who breaks the rules. Punish them accordingly rather than infringing on the rights of the masses who already comply. Bow down to the complainers and we may as well stay rolled over and cowering.

Lighting, manure, odors

Too many livestock on small parcels, smell, flies and animal health

1 - Odors; 2 - Proximity; 3 - Flies

1. Manure management, 2. runoff of animal waste, 3. proximity of livestock pens to neighboring parcels.

Manure management, waste runoff, odor

Animal health

We live in the country! Let it stay country!

na

Manure management, night activities, runoff/water safety for wells and waterways

Flies, odors,runoff

Manure management, proximity livestock pens

Final Comments & Future Outreach

Please list any remaining questions or feedback that you would like the team to know.

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N/A

None

None

NA

We should not be limited.

Enforcement solutions

Please explain how with the current point system as it is, one can have 24pts/2 horses on HALF an acre to ONE acre. BUT one can't have 4 horses on one acre?!?!? But 2 horses can reside on half an acre?!?!?

Also, please explain... How have larger property elotes for more horses BUT horses are still kept in a barn on 1/4-1/2 an acre REGARDLESS the size of the property. One acre or 3 acres, a 6 stall barn is still on a small portion of one's property. All horses reside in this barn regardless of the size of the property!

There should be no point system!

No additions to animal count, Revoke grandfather policies...

No restrictions

There shouldn't be a limit on how many animals you have on your property... It doesn't matter how many animals you have what matters is how you care for your animals.

I am generally opposed to permitting. Spell it out in the ordinance. If permitting is used it again must be clearly spelled out so that new city employee enforcers can not reinterpret the rules. I am opposed to guest horse registration, that is ridiculous. Again spell out the rules in the ordinance. I also believe chronic complainers should be fined or have to pay fees.

Please don't take our rights to own livestock and use our own property away from us.

Find an way to provide info to anyone wanting to buy property about livestock, arenas, river access etc before they buy into areas so they have the knowledge and complaints or issues do not become a problem for leadership/authorities later.

This whole debacle about animal count seems like targeted issues between certain town members with goals to enforce control and political leanings on a longstanding standard of not only this town but the entire country. Livestock ownership is a right not only for food, hobby, entertainment, but also income source. To impose more government control regarding this is targeted toward a class of people or to increase monetary income for the city. There are already in place animal welfare laws and other statutes for sanitary conditions. Any and all issues brought up already pertaining to nuisances exist in a natural setting from wild animals and insects. Unless real animal welfare is a issue which likely 80%-90% of the public is completely ignorant to animal condition or situation really is should be something discussed between neighbors or related parties. Only when the safety of the public is in danger should authorities be involved. The issue should be tabled indefinitely as this are problems solely between private parties. If properly brought to the attention of the populace would incur swift bureaucratic change along with removal of elected members via vote.

Enforcement concerns

Noted previously. Please consider doing away with anonymous complaints. They foster false complaints. Someone who feels their complaint is valid should be accountable for it, and that way we can keep track of serial complainers and lessen draw on code enforcement. Thank you!!!

Who will monitor and enforce the provisions?

As long as animals are healthy and being taken care of properly it should not matter how many "points" they are worth

The animal counts should not be changed

Don't turn us into a ranch. We are a town.

Stop trying to turn a city into a ranch

5 pigs per property is too much maybe 2-3

Stop trying to change what has worked 25 years.

As long as animals are fed and taken care of let it be

We live in a rural town where people should be able to raise livestock. A decrease in the numbers could negatively affect people's abilities to raise animals and feed their families or to earn a living for their families.

Code enforcement....

Nuisance control is more important than the number of animals.

Can we address the lack of infrastructure and the dearth of economic development in some areas of Camp Verde?

Cost of enforcement has not been addressed

I feel as long as the animals are in a space that they have enough room to roam, feed and water; why bother people with their request of animals and their property. As long as the manure is cleaned regularly and animals are healthy, there should not be a reduction.

The current horse "boarding" situation on Arena del Loma is disturbing to witness. Horses have no shade and barely enough room to move. Some look ill.

Wish you spent as much time on the Event Center as you have on this \$%&*#

We are living the American dream thanks to our property. I'm able to grow our own produce and raise livestock for enjoyment and to feed our family. My husband and I teach have been fortunate to teach our own children and give other children who may not have been given the opportunity exposure to our lifestyle. Our neighbors support us and have been great so we've had no issue. It'd be a shame to see how things will change as the vacant lots around us sell.

Both sides must learn to be better neighbors while still providing a light for our youth towards the future. Also understanding that raising kids is tough enough without wondering if your neighbor will file a nuisance complaint against you for your child's laughter....

The PIG allocation is absurd - way too high. The management of pig manure is more complex than all other livestock types combined. The community has lost confidence in Code Enforcement.

Thank you :)

There should not be an animal count. It should be up to the land owner to decide how many animals their land can support. If a complaint is filed, it should be investigated and dealt with accordingly. There should not be a permit or registry for any guest animals on a property. I will not be filing with the town to let them know a friend is bringing over their animals for a few days. It is not necessary for them to know this.

N A

I'm concerned that this agenda is being pushed by outside parties that don't represent the hard working families of Camp Verde that don't have the time to invest into such forums. Countless number of residents are working multiple jobs, raising kids, and tending to their animals and rural lives with the inability to stand up for their rights to use their own private property. They are the heart and soul of this community and they don't deserve to be trampled on by a few loud voices who have made a career on complaining.

I think you shouldn't act like Nazis! If you don't like livestock don't buy a house next door then cry about it!!!!

I feel having a maintained amount of the animal count and people clean up the manure from the animals to maintain the flies

A lot of work! If no code enforcement what is the purpose. Maybe an animal count tax to pay for a code officer

Leave California in California

How to deal with people that constantly complain. If a complaint is unfounded, the complainer needs to be held accountable for wasting staff's time and resources. ie, taxpayer's money.

We moved to Camp Verde over 20 years ago to raise our children and both attended CVES, CVMS graduated from Camp Verde High school with Honors both kids raised animals for the Verde Valley Fair and learned the responsibility of caring for their animals. Now it appears out of state people have moved in and are complaining and wanting their rules and their ways to control our way of life. So sad that their way of life is like a cancer growing and taking over our small town. Maybe just investigate a complaint but don't regulate for a year if it is not necessary (too much big brother). Often people complaining don't even understand the genetics of a species or breed of animal. I.E. dairy cattle or aging process of an old horse.

Don't let outside opinions affect decisions that will affect everyone.

People with animals should not be constricted by people who have never owned animals and or do not like their neighbor.

Lots of complainers because there's nothing better to do

Animal increases

My number one concern is the lack of code enforcement. Until that issue is resolved I support no change to our current animal point ordinance. Code enforcement is very lax if non-existent in town so to adopt more ordinances when the town cannot or will not enforce current code is opening up a Pandora's box of litigation

People need to stop trying to change Camp Verde western heritage.

Love thy neighbor! Work with them!

Na

We live in the country. I chose to move here because it was country. Please don't start regulating a bunch of rules or I will move out. I am a tax payer/business owner. I support public school programs and am very active in our community. If people do not like the way things are ran here, don't move here and try to change things. We love our Camp Verde the way it is.

I am, like many a snowbird to the small western town of Camp Verde. I come from a small western town and choose to winter vacation in Camp Verde because of its small town western feel. This is a tight knit family community that still encourages the youth of our lifestyle and nation. This community has raised some of the strongest, independent, hard working God fearing youth I've ever seen, please don't lose this because a young adult can't have livestock to care for and teach them responsibilities and the way of the world. Embrace your youth and those that encourage and teach them and continue your heritage, all this community was built upon. Keep the American dream and way of life alive in Camp Verde, be the leaders of what our nations needs to return to.

There isn't even these kind of restrictions in rural California towns. This is beyond ridiculous. We are not a city we are country which includes animals and all that come with them. Please stop this nonsense

I spend winters in camp verde, family owned an art gallery for many years in Sedona. Because of the political choices being made in this area the western way of life is being destroyed. Sedona which at one time was one of America's top wester art towns attracting high end tourists that supported all the communities close by, choices made there have destroyed business. I hope Camp Verde can wake up and not make same mistakes.

Historically all land use in AZ has been for agriculture livestock production and property owners use of their land. In the 1970's the county ushered in the first restrictions blanket zoning for development. This action alone removed most property owner's rights for use and production of their historic rights of their own land. The county offers AG related operations to apply for permission through an AD Exemption to restore these historic use rights. I'm opposed to any and all measures that reduce these god given and historic rights and force land owners to ask permission for the use of their property whether it be through a permit or a code. I am not opposed to cleanliness and odor laws because these are true actual nuisance perimeters that neighbors should adhere to. Beyond that it becomes a level of draconian restrictions and government overreach in my humble opinion.

Code should include definition of residential arena and community arena. Residential arena for owner's use should have less restrictions than community arena where friends and others use it for "events".

I'm concerned about enforcement. I have a neighbor who has been told by the town that they have code violations. That was 3 years ago and still nothing has been done. People dint take it seriously.

Camp Verde has a unique opportunity right now to stand out as a community that backs up rural living. You will not be able to please everyone but why do things have to change for the non rural folks. Stand for something or we will fall into urban decline. One more thing...fowl must be addressed in the big picture...for example there is a lady in our neighborhood who has 75 peacocks. Do you all think that is a peaceful evening Nosit for the neighborhood? Logic and digression would give an officer the right to stop that.

Adults own property and they should be able to decide how they use that property. While I understand there are a few bad ones here or there they should not be able to ruin the ability of all others to choose what to do with their property. The vast majority of those that raise animals are not going to put their animals in a bad situation. By limiting the use of the property you limit people's ability to raise their own food and teach their family about raising/growing food as well as limiting the enjoyment that they can get from their home.

Under 12 points on 1/4 to 1/2 acre

Violations seem to be common and when offenders are approached with a valid complaint, they become unfriendly therefore zoning must step in to enforce codes. Suggestion, as a rule of thumb,, large livestock DOES NOT belong in populated residential areas.

Please stay the course and do not permit the minority to become the majority. Our town is growing, that's ok. Please maintain what we've always stood for though. For over 150 years this community has remained steadfast in its agricultural roots. For crying out loud, founded as Fort Verde, a cavalry base WITH HORSES AND ALL MEANS OF LIVESTOCK...let us not forget our roots or forsake what we know to be an honest and admirable lifestyle. Thank you for remaining true to what we hold dear.

I moved to CV because I liked the way it was when I first visited this town. I knew about the point system prior to purchasing property and accepted my limitations as it was.

Why? Not a single presentation at the gym answered why this was being jammed down our throats. Creating a workgroup, stacking it with those that have the same agenda as some individuals in the Community Development Department does not add any more legitimacy to these changes than this patently unscientific survey. What benefit does it bring the Town to have animal codes less restrictive than Yavapai County. Who is to gain from this? Most of us living in the town assign a value to living in a town as opposed to living in the county, It's one of the reasons we chose town living over county living. The fatal flaw in these changes is that they are less restrictive than the County, they attempt to diminish the rights of current property owners in the Town of Camp Verde. As a result these proposed changes will reduce the value of perhaps thousands of properties in town. Every property owner bordering a 2 acre parcel will be due compensation by the Town as a result of this land use change. The cost of placating the small but vocal minority demanding these changes will be enormous. Will the economic impact of that risk be included with the Community Development Department's recommendation? The elected officials of our town, the commissioners they appoint, and the managers they hire all need to start focusing on what is best for the Town of Camp Verde as opposed to how to dish out special favors and privileges for their friends and family.

I applaud the attempts of the group to add teeth for some Enforcement of issues, as this is a huge problem already. However, I fear many of the changes being considered create a further nightmare for Enforcement, which is already sorely lacking in Camp Verde.

Enforcement should be addressed

Camp Verde had been a rural town since it was founded. The people who are from Verde Valley. Who grew up there want it to stay the same that's why we chose to live there. The people who are moving in are now trying to change the way things always have been and should be. If they didn't like the town the way it was why did they decide to move here in the first place? Please take this into consideration when making your decision.

Thank you to this group for your work

More concerned with junk cars/ trash

The long-standing animal points system worked well. Use special permits for extraordinary needs. Protect neighborhoods.

Why are we even considering a change. Its fine the way it is

I hate to see the people who manage their animals and property appropriately lose their rights

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