



# Brevard County Board of County Commissioners

2725 Judge Fran Jamieson  
Way  
Viera, FL 32940

## Legislation Text

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### **Subject:**

Scott W. and Debora A. Speer request a change of zoning classification from RR-1 to AU. (21Z00002) (Tax Account 2316763) (District 2)

### **Fiscal Impact:**

None

### **Dept/Office:**

Planning and Development

### **Requested Action:**

It is requested that the North Merritt Island Dependent Special District Board conduct a public hearing to consider a change of zoning classification from RR-1 (Rural Residential) to AU (Agricultural Residential)

### **Summary Explanation and Background:**

The applicants are seeking a change of zoning classification from RR-1 to AU for the purpose of having farm animals (2 pigs and two donkeys) and a small orchard. The parcel is located at 1465 Bishop Road, Merritt Island, and is developed with a 3,294 sq. ft. single-family residence. The applicant has not provided staff with a proposed development plan for the location of the proposed orchard or where the farm animals will be located. The RR-1 classification permits horses, barns and horticulture as accessory uses to a single-family residence but does not permit other farm animals.

The developed character of the surrounding area along Bishop Road is RR-1 (Rural Residential) and AU which are developed with single-family houses. The subject parcel and the surrounding area along Bishop Road have a Future Land Use (FLU) designation of RES 1 which is compatible with the current RR-1 zoning and the proposed AU.

The proposed AU zoning classification permits single-family residences and agricultural uses on 2.5 acre lots, with a minimum lot width and depth of 150 feet. The minimum house size in AU is 750 square feet. The AU classification also permits the raising/grazing of animals, fowl and beekeeping, plant nurseries and all agricultural pursuits, including the packing, processing, and sales of commodities raised on the premises are a permitted use in AU zoning.

The Board may wish to consider whether the request is consistent and compatible with the surrounding RR-1 single-family residences and AU zoning Classifications. The Board may also wish to consider the effect of Agritourism adjacent to single-family residential and waving any and all Developer/Owner claims to Agritourism.

The Board of County Commissioners will hear the request on **Thursday, April 15, 2021, at 5:00 p.m.**, at the Brevard County Government Center, 2725 Judge Fran Jamieson Way, Building C, Commission Room, Viera, Florida.

**Clerk to the Board Instructions:**

None