



**ERIE**  
COLORADO

# **Municipal Code 6-3-3 Amendment: Firearm Discharge on Agricultural Holding (AGH) Properties**

**Town Council**

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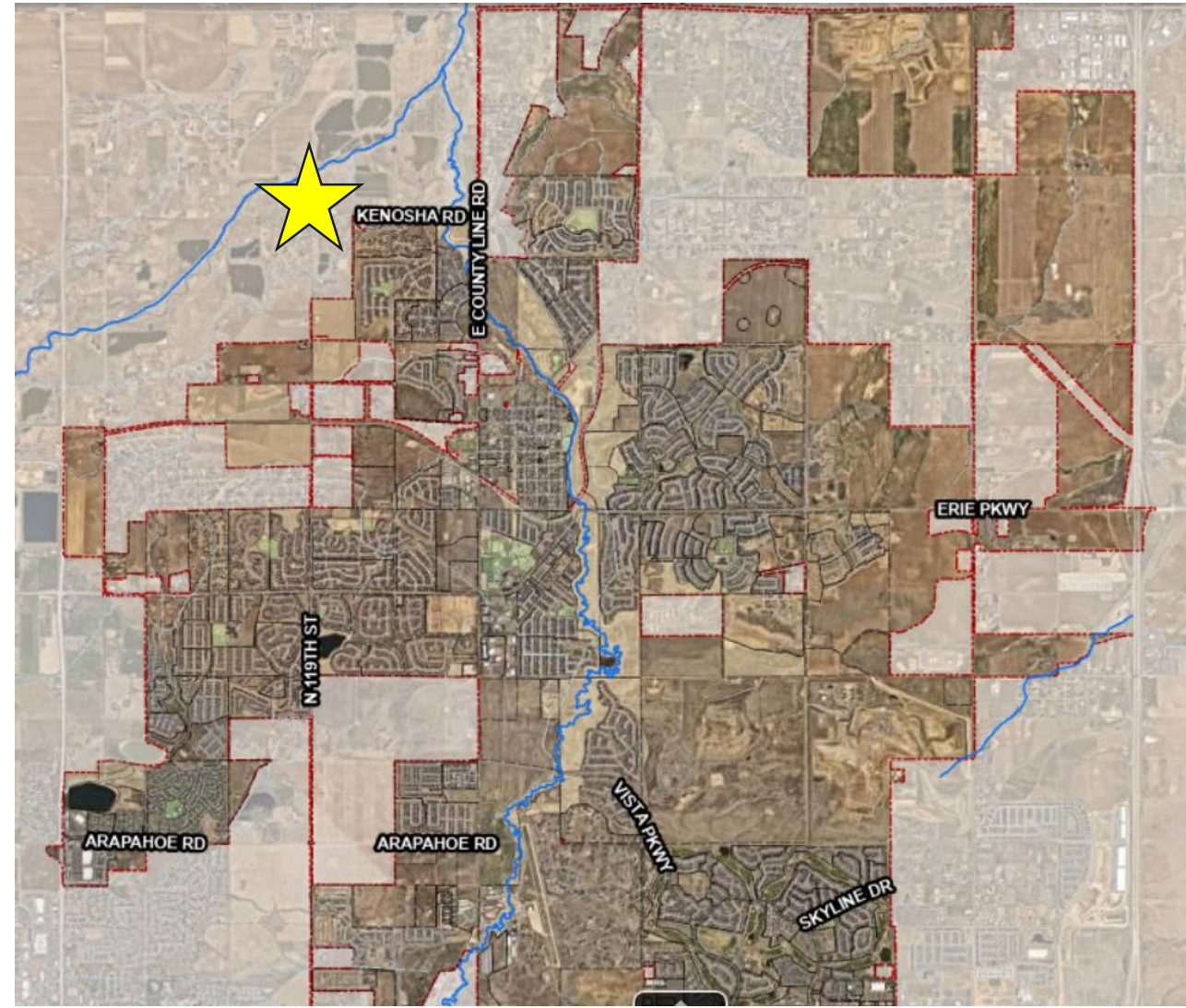


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# Background

The Town is working with property owners to annex several large parcels in unincorporated Boulder County on the northwest boundary of Town.





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- The property owners intend to continue using their properties for agricultural uses and would be zoned Agricultural Holding (AGH) at the time of annexation.
- Several property owners desire to continue to be able to discharge firearms for recreational purposes and livestock protection.
- Erie's Municipal Code prohibits the discharge of firearms anywhere in Town limits.



# Background

The Town Attorney has drafted a change to Section 6-3-3 of Erie's municipal code. The proposed ordinance would allow the discharge of firearms:

- On parcels of at least 5 acres in size,
- On parcels zoned Agricultural Holding (AGH),
- For recreational purposes,
- If the discharge is made safely and in compliance with all applicable law, and
- If the projectile does not leave the property.



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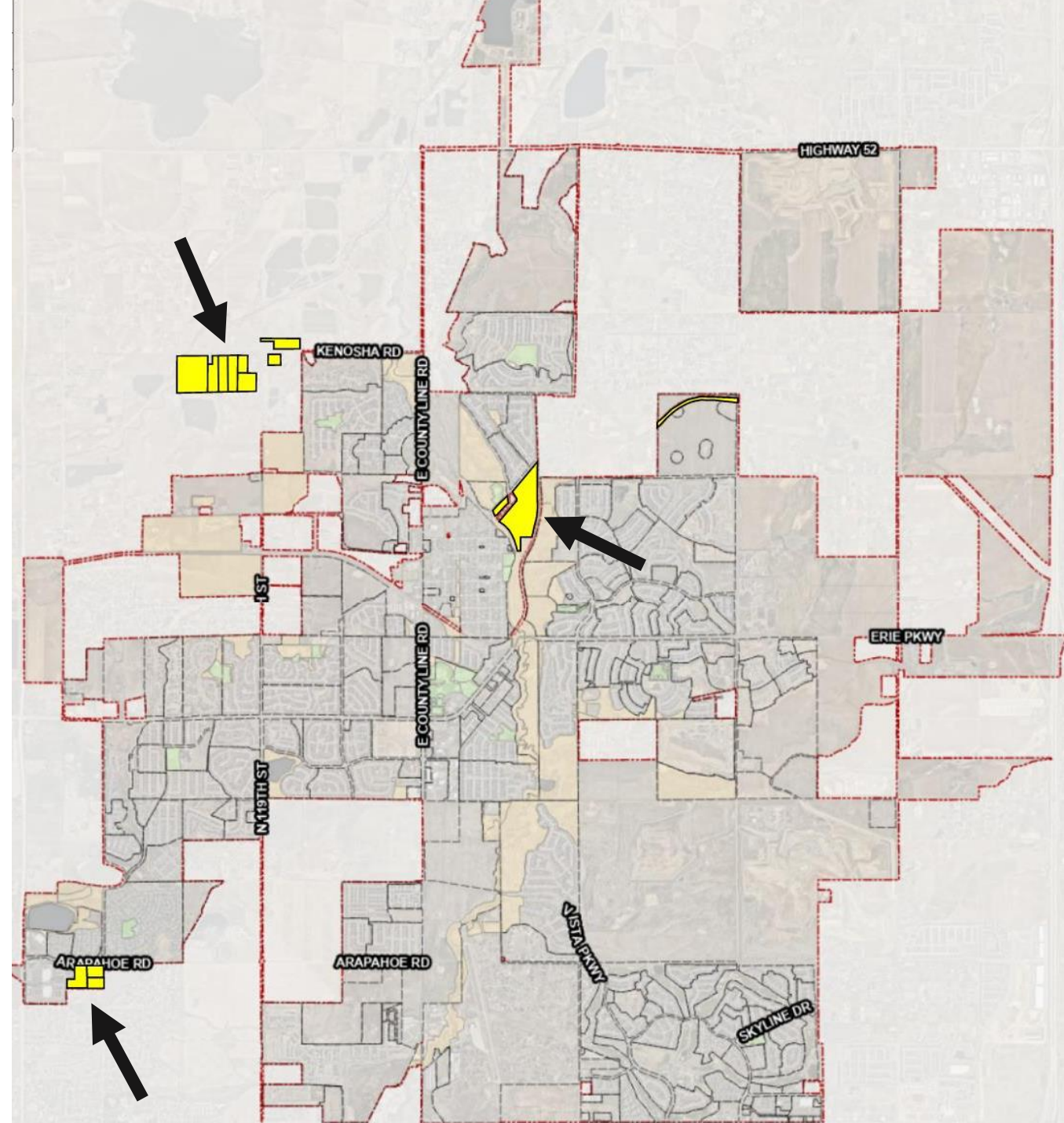
Agricultural Holding (AGH): The purpose of the AGH zone district is to provide for the continuance of existing agricultural-related uses on land annexed to the town until such time the annexed are redeveloped.

**TABLE 4-3: TABLE OF DIMENSIONAL STANDARDS - OTHER DISTRICTS**  
 (Additional Standards May Apply. See Use-Specific Standards in 3.2.)

District	Min. Lot Size		Max. Lot Coverage (percent)	Minimum Setbacks (ft.)			Maximum Height	
	Net Area <sup>Ⓢ</sup> (sq. ft.)	Width (ft.)		Front	Side	Rear	Prin.	Acc.
AG/OS	N/A	N/A		50	50	50	40	40
AGH	N/A	N/A		25	25	25	N/A	N/A
PLI	N/A	N/A	N/A	Front, side and rear yard setbacks shall be 25 feet when the abutting district is AG/OS or any residential property. Otherwise, the setbacks shall be equal to the analogous minimum setback in the abutting district.			45 3 stories	25

# AGH Zoning

- Two existing areas in Town.
- Eight within the proposed annexation area.





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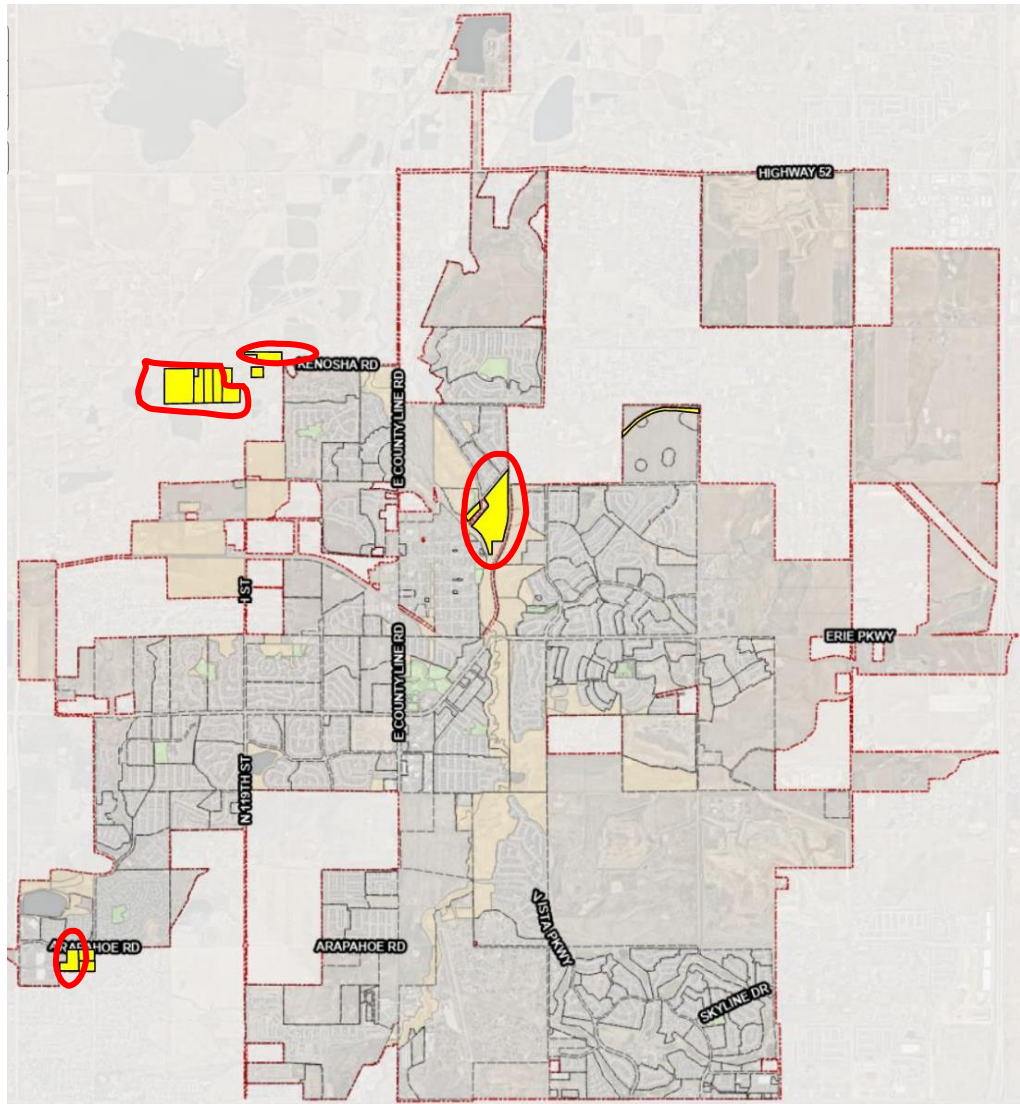




# Proposed Ordinance

- Properties meeting these thresholds may discharge firearms for recreational or hunting purposes if it is done safely and in compliance with all applicable law; and as long as the bullet, cartridge or other projectile does not leave the property.
- Would apply to six of the eight Erie West Annexation properties, and two properties in the Town zoned AGH.
- Would apply to any future annexed properties that meet the criteria.

# Applicable Areas



Area	Property	Acres
Page Property	3942 CR 1 ½	<b>49.1</b>
Erie West Annexations	11995 KENOSHA RD	<b>8.29</b>
	11964 KENOSHA RD	2.1
	5075 N 119TH ST	<b>8.8</b>
	11818 KENOSHA RD	4.8
	11780 KENOSHA RD	<b>9.8</b>
	11724 KENOSHA RD	<b>9.9</b>
	11692 KENOSHA RD	<b>8.9</b>
	11638 KENOSHA RD	<b>29.9</b>
111 <sup>th</sup> & Arapahoe	10994 ARAPAHOE RD	<b>9.8</b>
	1445 N 111TH ST	4.8
	11070 ARAPAHOE RD	4.1



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