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AGRIHOODS—COMMUNITIES CENTERED AROUND WORKING FARMS—ARE ATTRACTING HOMEBUYERS WITH A KEEN INTEREST IN FRESH, LOCAL FOOD

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Like accessory dwelling units and multigenerational housing, the agrihood is an old idea made new again. The Urban Land Institute defines an agrihood as a single-family, multifamily, or mixed-use community built with a working farm as a focus. It's actually a type of conservation community (a niche that's been around for 40 years), and it taps into the burgeoning farm-to-table movement.

Agrihood residents can participate in all kinds of farm activities, including growing and harvesting produce under the tutelage of experienced farmers; buying shares in a community-supported agriculture (CSA) program, which

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