

ORDINANCE NO.: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE to amend Section 115-1 and Section 115-149(a)(1) and create Section 115-347(9) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse defining Veterinary Clinics, Animal Hospitals and kennels and permitting them in the C1-Local Business and C2-Commerical Districts by a Conditional Use Permit.

SECTION I: Subsection 115-1 is hereby amended to add the following definitions:

*Veterinary Clinic or Animal Hospital* means office and medical treatment facilities where animals are given medical care and the boarding of animals is limited to short-term care incidental to the hospital use. This use includes large and small animal veterinary clinics, and animal hospitals. Veterinary clinics and animal hospitals may have indoor kennel facilities for the temporary over-night keeping of animals needing medical care.

*Kennel, Boarding* means any kennel or establishment where pet animals owned by another person are temporarily boarded for pay, trade, barter, commission, or remuneration of any sort. This definition does not apply to zoos.

*Kennel, Breeding* means any kennel or establishment where pet animals are owned, kept, or harbored for the purpose of breeding for sale purposes. This definition does not apply to zoos.

SECTION II: Subsection 115-149(a)(1) is hereby amended as follows:

(1) Animal or veterinary hospital or clinic; ~~or animal sales shop~~ that includes a kennel where animals are bred or boarded; or stable.

SECTION III: Subsection 115-347(9) is hereby created as follows:

Veterinary clinics, animal hospitals, and kennels used for the boarding of pet animals shall be a conditional use in the C1-Local Business and C2-Commercial zoning districts. Outdoor runs shall be located to the rear of the Building and all such areas visible from a public ROW shall be enclosed with a privacy fence or similar weather-resistant, durable, and opaque material that meets Section 115-398 of the Municipal Code. Fences shall be no less than four (4) feet in height. All waste material shall be stored in closed containers and screened from all thoroughfares and adjoining properties by a fence, wall or plant screen at least as high as the containers. Emission of any offensive odors, beyond the lot Line, shall not be permitted at any time.

SECTION IV: Should any portion of this ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this division shall not be affected.

SECTION V: This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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Timothy Kabat, Mayor

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Teri Lehrke, City Clerk

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