

**OFFICIAL  
OHIO TOWNSHIP  
ORDINANCE NO. 248**

AN AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 132 OF THE CODE OF OHIO TOWNSHIP PROVIDING FOR ANIMAL CARE IN AN L-1 ZONING DISTRICT AS A CONDITIONAL USE.

WHEREAS, Chapter 132 of the Ohio Township Code provides for animal care in certain districts as a conditional use; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Ohio have determined that it is in the best interests of the community to permit animal shelters, on a limited basis and with certain conditions attached, to be permitted as a conditional use in an L-1 district.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained and enacted by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Ohio as follows:

1. That Sections 132.10(b) and 132.11 are hereby amended to include the following: Commercial kennels, veterinary clinics, and other animal care uses with associated kennel facilities for boarding or similar retention of small animals (household pets) are permitted as a conditional use in an L-1 district, provided that they are developed pursuant to the following standards:
  - a. A minimum contiguous site of five acres shall be provided;
  - b. Signs and parking shall be limited as provided within the Zoning Ordinance;
  - c. A limitation as to the number of animals kept at any such facility;
  - d. Any such facility shall be staffed on a 24-hour continuous basis;
  - e. Animal care activities shall be completely screened from view from any off-site location, with the exception of traditional outdoor activities, such as exercise, obedience classes, and the like;
  - f. The design of the structure shall include features that acoustically shield any animal noises from being heard outside the property line; and

- g. Said conditional use shall be subject to any other reasonable conditions as permitted by the Municipalities Planning Code.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED this 11th day of November, 2002.

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP OF OHIO

John Sullivan Jr  
Township Secretary

Joseph B. Wiese  
Chairman, Board of Supervisors