

***JEFFERSON COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE REVIEW AS IT  
PERTAINS TO HOUSEHOLD PETS, KENNELS AND DOG DAY  
CARE/BOARDING IN HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL R-1, R-2,  
COMMUNITY AND WATERFRONT ZONES***

**HOUSEHOLD PETS**

Currently **allowed two** in high density R-1, R-2, Community and Waterfront zones; more than two requires a conditional use permit

- Retain current ordinance
- Should it be increased to 4?
- Should it be increased to 6?
- Should it be increased to 10?

**KENNELS** – (THE KENNEL DEFINITION IS NOT TO APPLY TO A “TOWN DOG CATCHER”)

**Existing definition – Kennel - a premises within which one or more of the following activities is conducted: a. Dogs, cats or other household pets are maintained, boarded, bred, kept or cared for in return for remuneration or for the purpose of sale**

Existing definition currently **prohibits them** in high density residential areas of R-1, R-2, C and W

**Proposed definition - Kennel – to include breeding and sales operations only**

- Should current policy be retained to prohibit them in R-1, R-2, C and W zones?
- Should they be permitted with conditional use but limiting numbers to 5?

- Should they be permitted with conditional use but limiting numbers to 10?
- Should they be permitted with conditional use but limiting numbers to 15?
- Should they be permitted with conditional use but limiting numbers to 20?
- Should the conditional use be required to be renewed every 5 years?
- Should the conditional use be required to be renewed every 10 years?
- Should the kennel be allowed or not allowed outside kennel runs?
- Wastes shall be picked up daily and disposed of weekly in an approved sanitary landfill.
- How many parking spaces will be required for a kennel?
- What hours of operation should be allowed?
- What revocation process is appropriate?

### **DOG DAY CARE/BOARDING FACILITY**

#### **Proposed new category for kennels – boarding only, no breeding**

Currently **prohibited** in high density R-1, R-2, Community and Waterfront zones

- Should current policy be retained to prohibit them in R-1, R-2, C and W zones?
- Should they be simply permitted in high density R-1, R-2 , C and W zones with:
  1. Limit on dog numbers?
  2. Waste management plan?
  3. Parking plan?

4. Inside runs/outside runs?
  5. Revocation process?
  6. Required review every year?
  7. Required review every 5 years?
  8. Required review every 10 years?
- Should they be permitted with conditional use in high density R-1, R-2, C and W zones with:
    1. Limit on dog numbers?
    2. Waste management plan?
    3. Parking plan?
    4. Inside/outside runs?
    5. Revocation process?
    6. Required review every year?
    7. Required review every 5 years?
    8. Required review every 10 years?

Would your Town rather see the County not regulate household pets, kennels and boarding facilities, and enable the individual Towns to adopt their own ordinance (subject to County Board approval) to regulate dogs, which could streamline the process since Towns already issue dog licenses.

**Any additional comments/insights from you are welcome. Thank you for your participation.**

We have attached a Town zoning map for your convenience.