# HAMPTON VA

#### Zoning Ordinance Amendment

#### Animal-related Definitions and Uses

City Council June 10, 2020





Amend Section 2-2 "Definitions", Sec. 3-2 "Table of Uses Permitted", and Sec. 3-3 "Additional Standards on Uses" for animal-related uses

### Purpose

- Align zoning ordinance with city code definitions
- Comprehensively consider companion
  animal uses
- Staff collaborated in an interdepartmental team on the updates
  - Hampton Animal Response Team (HART), CDD, CAO, and the Treasurer

## Proposal

- 20-0143 would update <u>definitions</u>:
  - Amend kennel to align with HART
  - Add animal day care
  - Add animal shelter
  - Add home based rescue
  - Add veterinarian office or hospital
  - Amend home based occupation

## Proposal

- 20-0161 would update uses:
  - Updating the Use Table
    - Add animal day care
    - Add animal shelter
    - Add home based rescue
    - Modify veterinarian office
    - Modify kennel

## Proposal

- 20-0161 would update uses:
  - Updating Additional Standards
    - Amend home based occupation
    - Amend veterinarian office
    - Amend kennel
    - Add animal day care

# Kennel

- An establishment (business)
- 5 or more dogs or cats over 4 months
- For breeding, hunting, training, renting, boarding, selling, or showing
- Additional standards required
  - Same standards as veterinarian offices and animal day cares
- Adding C-3 and M-1

## **Additional Standards**

- Kennel, animal day care, and vet office
  - Comply with noise and enclosing the use
  - Comply with City Code Chapter 5
  - If outdoor run, animals not kept in it overnight, and run must be fenced
    - If the lot abuts a residential lot, additional standards for screening, opaque fencing, and setback apply

# Animal day care (Doggie Daycares)

- Animal stays less than 24 hours/day/client
- Longer than 24 hours is a kennel
- Use was previously interpreted to be retail
- Existing legally established day care would be a legal non-conforming use
- Additional standards required
  - Same standards as kennels and veterinarian offices

# Veterinarian office or hospital

- New definition
- Added to M-1
- Additional standards required
  - Same standards as kennels and animal day cares

## **Animal shelter**

- New definition
- Kept for facilitating adoption
- Always requires a use permit

### Home based rescue

- New definition
  - Zoning focuses on location
  - HART focuses on entity
- 5 or more companion animals over 4 months
- Kept for facilitating adoption
- Always requires a use permit

### **Home occupation**

- Moving and modifying exclusions
- Newly defined animal uses not permitted to be home occupation
  - If homeowner is not meeting definition of kennel and home based rescue, they can be a home occupation with all standards met

# Analysis

- Existing legally established uses
  - Any legally established use affected by this would be allowed to continue operation
  - Any new structures would have to comply with new standards



Staff and Planning Commission recommend **approval** of Items #20-0143 & #20-0161