



Animal Keeping Workshop

Community & Economic Development
and Public Works

Utility Services/Land Use/ Energy Development Committee
May 8, 2017

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BACKGROUND

1. Animal regulations of the Municipal Code (Titles 8 & 19)
2. Discrepancies within Zoning Ordinance
3. Discrepancies between Zoning and Licensing
4. March 9, 2017 – Planning Commission Workshop



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DOGS AND CATS

1. Inconsistent definitions for residential and commercial kennels/catteries
2. No maximum number for catteries or kennels
3. Concern for animal welfare



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DOGS AND CATS

Options:

1. Identify appropriate zones for residential and commercial kennels and catteries
2. Coordinate with Public Works on maximum numbers for kennels and catteries
3. Establish limitations for the sale and breeding of animals



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KENNELS & CATTERIES

Analysis of Southern California kennel and cattery ordinances in comparison to the City of Riverside:

1. 33 jurisdictions analyzed
2. 6 jurisdictions do not issue kennel or cattery permits (Cypress, Fountain Valley, Huntington Beach, Orange, Stanton, and Tustin)



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KENNELS & CATTERIES

Options:

1. Create streamlined definitions
2. Identify maximum populations for kennels and catteries
3. Review the current fee structure



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BEES

Existing Code:

1. Only permitted in RR, RA-5, and RC
2. Subject to Title 8: Animals:
 - a. Setbacks
 - b. Water Supply
3. Requirements based on health and safety



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BEES

Options:

1. Continue to only allow in RR, RA-5, and RC
2. Allow beekeeping in RE and R-1 zones and consider:
 - a. Restrict beekeeping in RE and R-1 in accordance with Title 8: Animals
 - b. Limitations based on minimum lot size



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RACING PIGEONS

Existing Code:

1. Prohibited in R-3 and R-4
2. Not specifically identified in other zones
3. Zoning interpretations: Pigeons defined as "non-domestic" animals, and only allowed in RR, RA-5, and RC zones



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RACING PIGEONS

Options:

1. Continue to only allow in RR, RA-5, and RC
2. Allow Racing Pigeons in RE and R1 and consider:
 - a. Setbacks
 - b. Size of coop
 - c. Quantity of birds



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CHICKENS

Existing Code:

1. Only allowed in RR, RA-5, and RC
2. Max. number by setback:
 - a. 5 per 50' setback
 - b. 50 per 100' setback
3. RR zone has minimum 20,000 SF lot size and prohibits roosters



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CHICKENS

Options:

1. Continue to only allow in RR, RA-5 and RC
2. Allow Chickens in RE and R1 and consider:
 - a. Setbacks
 - b. Size of coop,
 - c. Quantity of birds
 - d. Prohibit Roosters



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RABBITS

Existing Code:

1. Domestic vs. Non-Domestic
2. RR, RA-5, and RC:
 - a. Max. number based on setback
 - b. Min lot size 20,000 SF (for RR)



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RABBITS

Existing Code:

3. RE and R1:
 - a. No max. number
 - b. No min. lot size
4. R-3 and R-4 prohibit



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RABBITS

Options:

1. Only allow in RR, RA-5 and RC
2. Limit rabbits in RE and R1 and consider:
 - a. Setbacks
 - b. Quantity
3. Allow rabbits in R-3 and R-4 and consider:
 - a. Setbacks
 - b. Quantity



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1. Supported dog breeder licensing requirements
2. Should establish pet foster/rescuer guidelines
3. Non-domestic animals should be kept in RR, RA-5 and RC zones
4. Quantities of non-domestic animals should relate to lot size



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5. Bees should remain on large lots but if allowed in RE and R1 then should consider:
 - a. Limiting number of hives
 - b. Requiring permit
 - c. Notifying neighbors
6. Racing Pigeons should not be permitted in RE and R1 unless on large lots



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7. Chickens should not be permitted in RE and R1 unless on large lots
8. Rabbits are domestic animals but quantity should be limited based on lot size



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NEXT STEPS

Community Forum

- If Committee recommends significant changes

Planning Commission Public Hearing

- Estimated July/August, 2017

City Council Public Hearing

- Estimated August/September, 2017



COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

