



AGENDA ITEM # 18

AGENDA ITEM EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Village Board Meeting

May 9, 2022

Item Title: **Animal Grooming Text Amendment**

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VILLAGE BOARD ACTION

Discuss the Planning & Zoning Commission’s recommendation for text amendments related to animal grooming services.

Executive Summary:

On May 3, 2022, the Planning and Zoning Commission held a public hearing to consider zoning ordinance text amendments regarding animal grooming services.

The P&Z recommended the following with a vote of 4-2. The two “no” votes would have voted to prohibit the use as a home occupation.

- Animal grooming as a Level 2 home occupation (which requires a special use permit)
 - A special use requires a public hearing before the Planning & Zoning Commission, with a recommendation made to the Village Board
- Only 1 animal to be groomed on site at a time
- All grooming activities take place inside the house
- Homeowner permission (if occupied by a renter)
- Proof of liability insurance

There was also discussion of permitting it only in single-family residences, although the P&Z ultimately recommended it as a special use in order to review the location and recommend additional conditions depending on the location. Other concerns included noise levels, number of dogs being held in the home at once, ensuring proper removal of waste, and enforceability (by staff) of any conditions imposed upon the business.

Two members of the public submitted in comment in advance. Both were in favor of allowing animal grooming as a home occupation.

Prior to crafting an ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance, staff would like to receive direction and feedback from the Board on how animal grooming should be regulated as a home occupation with the recommendation from the P&Z and testimony received during the public hearing.

Implications:

Is this item budgeted? N/A

Any other implications to be considered? Animal grooming would be considered a permitted home occupation in the current draft of the Zoning Ordinance update as home occupations are regulated by impact to the neighborhood, rather than a specific list of uses permitted or not permitted. However, if the Board chooses to impose new regulations, those can easily be combined into the Zoning Ordinance update later this year.

Attachments:

P&Z Staff Report