ORDINANCE NO. 51-2018

To Amend Section 1123.762 and Section 1147.01 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Worthington to Amend the Definition of Dog and Cat Day Care Center to Dog and Cat Care Center and Add Dog and Cat Care Center as a Conditional Use in the Neighborhood Commercial (C-1) District, Community Shopping Center (C-2) District and the Restricted Light Industrial (I-1) Zoning District.

WHEREAS, it is the wish of City Council to monitor and revise the Planning and Zoning Code of the City to ensure economic viability and preserve the character of the City; and,

WHEREAS, the Municipal Planning Commission, on recommendation of City staff and the Code Review Committee unanimously passed a motion to recommend approval to amend the definition of Dog and Cat Day Care Center to Dog and Cat Care Center and to add Dog and Cat Care Center as a Conditional Use in the Neighborhood Commercial (C-1) District, Community Shopping Center (C-2) District and the Restricted Light Industrial (I-1) District; and,

WHEREAS, it is the desire of City Council to approve this amendment to accommodate this use where appropriate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Municipality of Worthington, County of Franklin, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That Section 1123.762 of the Codified Ordinances is amended to read as follows:

1123.762 DOG AND CAT CARE CENTER.
“Dog and cat care center” means an acoustically controlled facility for the care, schooling, or grooming of healthy, group-socialized cats and/or dogs. “Acoustically controlled” shall mean that the decibel level of sound emitted from animals in this facility shall not exceed forty-five decibels at any time when measured at the property line. A dog and cat care center shall be limited to 4,000 square feet and forty boarding animals maximum, and may include indoor runs for overnight boarding of group-socialized animals, so long as the space devoted to such overnight boarding occupies less than fifty percent (50%) of the net usable area of the facility. Outdoor exercise yards and the storage of vehicles for animal transport are prohibited. Ancillary sale of pet care products including food shall not occupy more than ten percent (10%) of the gross floor area of the structure.
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SECTION 2. That Section 1147.01 of the Codified Ordinances be and hereby is amended by adding Dog and Cat Care Center as a Conditional Use in Neighborhood Commercial (C-1) District, Community Shopping Center (C-2) District and the Restricted Light Industrial (I-1) Zoning District, and removing Dog and Cat Day Care Center as a Conditional Use in the Community Shopping Center (C-2) District and the Restricted Light Industrial (I-1) Zoning District.

SECTION 3. That notice of passage of this Ordinance shall be posted in the Municipal Administration Building, the Worthington Library, the Griswold Center and Worthington Community Center and shall set forth the title and effective date of the Ordinance and a statement that the Ordinance is on file in the office of the Clerk of Council. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law and by the Charter of the City of Worthington, Ohio.

Passed November 19, 2018

/s/ Bonnie D. Michael
President of Council

Attest:

/s/ D. Kay Thress
Clerk of Council

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P.H. November 19, 2018
Effective December 12, 2018