TO: City Council
FROM: Ben Shumaker
DATE: February 18th, 2016
SUBJECT: Farm Animal & Urban Farm Animal Zoning & Goat Exemption

Introduction
The memo presents the Planning Commission’s recommended Zoning Code Amendments for Animal Uses and asks for City Council approval of draft Ordinance 2016-1093, “An ordinance amending the Stevenson Zoning Code provisions (SMC 17) relating to animals uses; and repealing portions of Ordinance 894 and Sections 4.3.B and 4.4.G of Ordinance 1077” as well as draft Ordinance 2016-1094 “An ordinance allowing the temporary keeping of goats on all properties in the city when used for fire and weed control”.

Use Table and Definitions
A similar table as Attachment 1 was presented to the City Council at their December meeting. Page 1 of the attachment shows the 4 types of animal uses considered in the recommendation and indicates where they could be Permitted, Conditionally permitted, or Prohibited if the amendment is adopted. Electronic viewers of this attachment will be able to hover over each zoning district and overnight lodging type to view their purposes and proposed definitions. Paper viewers of this attachment should turn to its 2nd and 3rd pages for this information.

Zoning Map Comparisons
Attachment 2 was also been presented to the Council at the December meeting, and includes a comparison of where the 4 types of animal uses are currently allowed and where they would be allowed under the proposed amendment.

Zoning Text Comparisons
Attachment 3 is presented to the Council for the first time. Using the strikethrough/underline method, this document shows the changes that would be made to the Zoning Code’s text if the amendment is approved

Draft Ordinance 2016-1093
Attachment 4 is also presented to the Council for the first time. This is the document recommended for approval by the Planning Commission.

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Draft Animals Handout
Attachment 5 was presented to the Planning Commission in December and reflects staff’s draft of an explanatory flier on the animal regulations. The draft has not been updated to reflect the Planning Commission’s final recommendation, but provides an example of how the program might be presented to the public. This handout will have to be updated if the Planning Commission’s recommended self-issuing permit procedure is adopted by the Council.

Draft Municipal Code Chapter
Attachment 6 is a new chapter for the Council to consider and creates a blanket exemption for property owners wanting to use goats to clear weeds. The recommended temporary allowance is limited to 6 goats for no more than 2 weeks in a 60 day period.

**Draft Ordinance 2016-1094**

Attachment 7 is presented to the Council for the first time and has been recommended for approval by the Planning Commission.

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Planning Director

Attachments

1. Use Table  
2. Map Comparison  
3. Text Comparison  
4. Draft Ordinance 2016-1093  
5. Draft Program Flier (Outdated)  
6. New Text for SMC 6-10  
7. Draft Ordinance 2016-1094
### Proposed Use Table: Animals & Overnight Lodging

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**Legend**
- P = Permitted
- C = Conditional
- X = Prohibited
Proposed Use Table: District Purposes & Uses Defined

District Purposes:

R1 Single-Family District: The Single-Family Residential (R1) District is intended to provide minimum development standards for residential uses where complete community services are available and where residential uses are separated from uses characteristic of more urban and/or rural areas.

R2 Two-Family District: The Two-Family Residential (R2) District is intended to provide minimum development standards for higher-density residential uses where complete community services are available and where residential uses are separated from uses characteristic of more urban and more rural areas.

R3 Multi-Family District: The Multi-Family Residential (R3) District is intended to provide minimum development standards for various residential uses where complete community services are available and where residential uses are in close proximity to uses characteristic of more urban areas and separated from uses characteristic of more rural areas.

MHR Mobile Home Residential District: The Mobile Home Residential (MHR) District is intended to provide minimum development standards for affordable residential uses within the city.

SR Suburban Residential District: The Suburban Residential (SR) District is intended to provide minimum development standards for a variety of uses and provide a transition area where service levels are less than urban and where low-density residential uses coexist with uses otherwise characteristic of more rural areas.

PR Public Use & Recreation District: The purpose of the PR District is to designate a central city area to accommodate existing uses, to minimize possible conflicts of use and to maintain and conserve the environmental qualities of the Rock Creek Pond area.

ED Education District: The Education (ED) District is intended to provide minimum development standards that coordinate activities such as school site selection and school building use to complement surrounding neighborhood and recreational uses; that facilitate school efforts to provide quality educational programs; and that ensure the ability of schools to enhance facilities.

CR Commercial Recreation District: The CR Commercial Recreation District provides for the siting of facilities within Stevenson for the express purpose of expanding the tourism industry while adding to local citizens' opportunities for economic development. The establishment of the CR Commercial Recreation District is intended to enhance and diversify the business and tourism opportunities in Stevenson through development of commercial and other facilities that complement the natural and cultural attractions of the area without significant adverse effect to environmental features or to natural, cultural and historic resources and their settings.

C1 Commercial District: The Commercial (C1) District is intended to provide minimum development standards for the broad range of residential, commercial, and community uses necessary for a vibrant and functioning downtown area serving large areas of the county.

M1 Light Industrial District: The Light Industrial (M1) District is intended to provide minimum development standards for the broad range of manufacturing, warehousing, and sales uses that contribute to the economic base of the city.
Use Definitions:

Pet: "Pet" means any animal commonly considered to be household pets, such as a cat, a dog as regulated under SMC 6.04, a fish kept in a tank or landscape pond, a gerbil, hamster, guinea pig, parakeet, parrot, or similar bird or rodent-like creature kept in a cage.

Urban Farm Animal: "Urban Farm Animal" means any small animal commonly raised or bred on a farm, but which have minimal impact when kept in residential areas. Urban Farm Animal includes bees, chickens, ducks, geese, pigeons, pheasants, turkeys, rabbits and other fur-bearing animals. Urban Farm Animal does not include roosters, Pets (SMC 17.10.632), or Farm Animals (SMC 17.10.302).

Farm Animal: "Farm Animal" means any large animal commonly raised or bred on a farm. Farm Animal includes alpacas, cattle, donkeys, emus, goats, horses, llamas, mules, ostriches, pigs, ponies, roosters, sheep, and similar animals. Farm Animal does not include Pets (SMC 17.10.632) or Urban Farm Animals (SMC 17.10.303).

Kennel: "Kennel" means any premises or building in which four or more dogs or cats at least four months of age are kept commercially for board, propagation or sale.

Overnight Lodging: "Overnight Lodging" means a classification of land uses where an owner or manager receives or seeks compensation for use or occupancy for a period of less than 30 consecutive days per rental period and which are subject to taxation under SMC 3.03 - Excise Tax on Furnishing of Lodging. Overnight lodging includes Bed & Breakfast (SMC 17.10.070), Campground (SMC 17.10.135), Hostel (SMC 17.10.388), Hotel (SMC 17.10.390), Vacation Rental Home (SMC 17.10.848), and other similar uses.

Note: The term "overnight" presented some confusion in the past and could easily be changed to "short-term".

Vacation Rental Home: "Vacation Rental Home" means a form of Overnight Lodging (SMC 17.10.615) where an entire dwelling unit is offered for occupancy by visitors and not shared with the owner, manager, or anyone outside of the visitor's party. Vacation Rental Homes are further regulated under SMC 5.20.

Bed & Breakfast: "Bed & Breakfast" means a form of Overnight Lodging (SMC 17.10.615) where up to 6 guest rooms are offered for occupancy by visitors. Bed & Breakfasts are owner- or manager-occupied and converted from preexisting dwelling units.

Hostel: "Hostel" means an affordable form of Overnight Lodging (SMC 17.10.615) where individual beds are offered for occupancy by visitors. Hostels are supervised by an owner or manager at all times.

Hotel: "Hotel" means a form of Overnight Lodging (SMC 17.10.615) where more than 6 guest rooms are offered for occupancy by visitors. Hotels include single buildings or a group of buildings on the same lot and individual guest rooms may or may not have cooking facilities.

Campground: "Campground" means a form of Overnight Lodging (SMC 17.10.615) where sites are offered for occupancy by camping in tents, travel trailers, recreational vehicles, or similar movable or temporary sleeping quarters of any kind.
**Pets**

**Current**

**Proposed**

- **Permitted**
- **Conditional**
- **Prohibited**
- **Silent**
Urban Farm Animals

Current

Proposed

Legend:
- Green: Permitted
- Orange: Conditional
- Red: Prohibited
- Grey: Silent

Maps show the permitted, conditional, prohibited, and silent status of urban farm animals in the current and proposed zoning regulations.
Title 17 – Zoning

Chapter 17.09 – Purposes Enumerated (Amend)

Section 17.09.095 – Farm Animals & Urban Farm Animals.

The council finds that farm animals and urban farm animals are generally incompatible with close-density housing within the city limits due to noise, odor, public health, and security issues. However, even in an urban setting, citizens may keep certain farm animals with minimal impact to adjoining neighbors, while helping residents access inexpensive, healthy food and environmentally-friendly alternatives to fertilizer and noxious weed control.

Chapter 17.10. – Definitions

Section 17.10.025 – Adult Animal.
“Adult Animal” means an animal that has been weaned from reliance on its mother and/or has reached the productive age for which it is bred or raised. For bees, a bee colony as it is defined in RCW 15.60.005 is considered one (1) adult animal.

Section 17.10.302 – Farm Animal.
“Farm Animal” means any large animal commonly raised or bred on a farm. “Farm Animal” includes alpacas, cattle, donkeys, emus, goats, horses, llamas, mules, ostriches, pigs, ponies, roosters, sheep, and similar animals. “Farm Animal” does not include pets (SMC 17.10.632) or urban farm animals (SMC 17.10.303).

Section 17.10.303 – Farm Animal, Urban.
“Urban Farm Animal” means any small animal commonly raised or bred on a farm but which have minimal impact when kept in residential areas. “Urban Farm Animal” includes bees, chickens, ducks, geese, pigeons, pheasants, turkeys, rabbits and other fur bearing animals, and similar small animals. “Urban Farm Animal” does not include roosters, pets (SMC 17.10.632) or farm animals (SMC 17.10.302).

Section 17.10.632 – Pet.
“Pet” means any animal commonly considered to be household pets, such as a cat, a dog as regulated under SMC 6.04, a fish kept in a tank or landscape pond, a gerbil, hamster, guinea pig, parakeet, parrot, or similar bird or rodent-like creature kept in a cage.

Chapter 17.16 – SR Suburban Residential District

Section 17.16.010 – Principal Uses.
Principal uses permitted outright in the SR district are as follows:
C. Agricultural uses including horticultural and nurseries, but not including the raising of animals or fowl for commercial purposes, or the sale of any produce or products at retail or wholesale on the premises;
C. Agricultural uses including:
  1. Subsistence or hobby type gardening.
  2. Indoor and outdoor horticulture.
D. Private stable or barn if located at least sixty feet from all property lines: front street line, side lot lines and rear lot lines;
E. Subsistence or hobby type gardening and horticultural activity;
E. Animal uses as follows, subject to the specific performance standards of SMC 17.40.095:
  1. The keeping of farm animals.

Section 17.16.030 – Accessory Uses and Activities.
Accessory uses and activities set forth on the following list are allowed in the SR district; provided that:

The accessory use or activity may be regarded as incidental or insubstantial in and of itself or in relation to the principal use on the lot; and
The accessory use or activity is commonly or frequently associated with the principal use on the lot.

Accessory uses and activities allowed in the SR district are as follows:

C. Home occupation, including retail and wholesale sales of agricultural and animal products raised or produced on the premises;

H. The keeping of small animals inside the dwelling; provided, that the animals are not allowed outside the dwelling and do not endanger public health or safety;

H. Animal uses as follow: the keeping of pets;

Chapter 17.18 – R1 Single-Family Residential District

Section 17.18.020 – Conditional Uses.

Conditional uses that may be allowed in the R1 district are set forth in the following list. In granting a conditional use request, the planning commission may attach to the conditional use permit such reasonable requirements as will ensure that the development in its proposed location:

Will not endanger the public health or safety;
Will not substantially reduce the value of adjoining or abutting property;
Will be in harmony with the area in which it is located; and
Will be in conformity with the comprehensive plan, transportation plan, or other plan officially adopted by the council;

Conditional uses that may be allowed in the R1 district are as follows:

K. The keeping of horses and ponies; provided, that there is adequate lot area, accommodations for the animals, low impact on adjoining neighbors, and as long as such animals do not cause a public nuisance or public safety or public health problem

K. Animal uses as follow:
   1. The keeping of farm animals, provided that, at a minimum, the Planning Commission finds the proposal to be compliant with the performance standards of SMC 17.40.095.
   2. Kennel.

Section 17.18.030 – Accessory Uses and Activities.

Accessory uses and activities set forth on the following list are allowed in the R1 district; provided that:

The accessory use or activity may be regarded as incidental or insubstantial in and of itself or in relation to the principal use on the lot; and

The accessory use or activity is commonly or frequently associated with the principal use on the lot.

Accessory uses and activities allowed in the R1 district are as follows:

F. The keeping of small animals inside the dwelling; provided, that the animals are not allowed outside the dwelling and do not endanger public health or safety;

F. Animal uses as follow:
   1. The keeping of pets.
2. **The keeping of urban farm animals subject to the specific performance standards of SMC 17.40.095.**

G. The keeping of animals of a type or types commonly considered to be household pets, such as cats or dogs, outside the dwelling as long as such animals do not cause a public nuisance or public safety or public health problem. No commercial kennels are allowed and no farm animals such as cows, sheep, goats, pigs, llamas, chickens, geese or ducks;

**Chapter 17.20 – R2 Two-Family Residential District**

**Section 17.20.020 – Conditional Uses.**

Conditional uses that may be allowed in the R2 district are set forth in the following list. In granting a conditional use request, the planning commission may attach to the conditional use permit such reasonable requirements as will ensure that the development in its proposed location:

- Will not endanger the public health or safety;
- Will not substantially reduce the value of adjoining or abutting property;
- Will be in harmony with the area in which it is located; and
- Will be in conformity with the comprehensive plan, transportation plan, or other plan officially adopted by the council;

Conditional uses that may be allowed in the R2 district are as follows:

L. The keeping of horses and ponies; provided, that there is adequate lot area, accommodations for the animals, low impact on adjoining neighbors, and as long as such animals do not cause a public nuisance or public safety or public health problem;

**Section 17.20.030 – Accessory Uses and Activities.**

Accessory uses and activities set forth on the following list are allowed in the R2 district; provided that:

- The accessory use or activity may be regarded as incidental or insubstantial in and of itself or in relation to the principal use on the lot; and
- The accessory use or activity is commonly or frequently associated with the principal use on the lot.

Accessory uses and activities allowed in the R2 district are as follows:

F. The keeping of small animals inside the dwelling; provided, that the animals are not allowed outside the dwelling and do not endanger public health or safety;

F. Animal uses as follow, and excluding kennels and the keeping of farm animals:

1. The keeping of pets.
2. The keeping of urban farm animals subject to the specific performance standards of SMC 17.40.095.

G. The keeping of animals of a type or types commonly considered to be household pets, such as cats or dogs, outside the dwelling as long as such animals do not cause a public nuisance or public safety or public health problem. No commercial kennels are allowed and no farm animals such as cows, sheep, goats, pigs, llamas, chickens, geese or ducks;
Chapter 17.22 – R3 Multi-Family Residential District

Section 17.22.030 – Accessory Uses and Activities.

Accessory uses and activities set forth on the following list are allowed in the R3 district; provided that:

The accessory use or activity may be regarded as incidental or insubstantial in and of itself or in relation to the principal use on the lot; and

The accessory use or activity is commonly or frequently associated with the principal use on the lot.

Accessory uses and activities allowed in the R3 district are as follows:

F. The keeping of small animals inside the dwelling; provided, that the animals are not allowed outside the dwelling and do not endanger public health or safety;

F. Animal uses as follow, and excluding kennels and the keeping of farm animals:
   1. The keeping of pets.
   2. The keeping of urban farm animals subject to the specific performance standards of SMC 17.40.095.

G. The keeping of animals of a type or types commonly considered to be household pets, such as cats or dogs, outside the dwelling as long as such animals do not cause a public nuisance or public safety or public health problem. Larger animals such as horses; and animals more commonly seen on a farm such as cows, sheep, pigs, and chickens, are not allowed in an R3 district.

Chapter 17.24 – MHR Mobile Home Residential District

Section 17.24.030 – Accessory Uses and Activities.

Accessory uses and activities set forth on the following list are allowed in the MHR district; provided that:

The accessory use or activity may be regarded as incidental or insubstantial in and of itself or in relation to the principal use on the lot; and

The accessory use or activity is commonly or frequently associated with the principal use on the lot.

Accessory uses and activities allowed in the MHR district are as follows:

F. The keeping of small animals inside the dwelling; provided, that the animals are not allowed outside the dwelling and do not endanger public health or safety;

F. Animal uses as follow, and excluding kennels and the keeping of farm animals:
   1. The keeping of pets.
   2. The keeping of urban farm animals subject to the specific performance standards of SMC 17.40.095.

G. The keeping of animals of a type or types commonly considered to be household pets, such as cats or dogs, outside the dwelling as long as such animals do not cause a public nuisance or public safety or public health problem. Larger animals such as horses; and animals more
commonly seen on a farm such as cows, sheep, pigs, and chickens, are not allowed in an R3 district.

Chapter 17.28 – C1 Commercial District

Section 17.28.010 – Principal Uses.
 Principal uses permitted outright in the C1 district are as follows:
   C. Retail sales, personal and other services, and rental operations;
   C. Retail sales, personal and other services including kennel services, and rental operations;

Section 17.28.030 – Accessory Uses and Activities.
 Accessory uses and activities set forth on the following list are allowed in the C1 district; provided that:
   The accessory use or activity may be regarded as incidental or insubstantial in and of itself or in relation to the principal use on the lot; and
   The accessory use or activity is commonly or frequently associated with the principal use on the lot.
   Accessory uses and activities allowed in the C1 district are as follows:
   E. Animal uses as follow, and excluding the keeping of farm animals and urban farm animals: the keeping of pets.

Chapter 17.30 – CR Commercial Recreation District

Section 17.30.030 – Accessory Uses.
 The accessory uses permitted in the CR district are as follows:
 E. Animal uses as follow, and excluding kennels:
    1. The keeping of pets.
    2. The keeping of urban farm animals subject to the specific performance standards of SMC 17.40.095.

Section 17.30.050 – Conditional Uses.
 Conditional uses that may be allowed in the CR district are set forth in the following list. In granting a conditional use request, the planning commission may attach to the conditional use permit such reasonable requirements as will ensure that the development in its proposed location:
   Will not endanger the public health or safety;
   Will not substantially reduce the value of adjoining or abutting property;
   Will be in harmony with the area in which it is located; and
   Will be in conformity with the comprehensive plan, transportation plan, or other plan officially adopted by the council;

   Conditional uses that may be allowed in the CR district are as follows:
 E. Animal uses as follow: a limited allowance of farm animals when kept for the sole purpose of providing recreational horse, pony, mule and donkey rides, but excluding all other farm animals.
Chapter 17.32 – M1 Light Industrial District.

Section 17.32.010 – Principal Uses.
Principal uses permitted outright in the M1 district, subject to meeting the development standards and other regulations of this title, are as follows:

H. Kennel.

Section 17.32.030 – Accessory Uses.
Accessory uses and activities set forth in the following list are allowed in the M1 district; provided that:

1. The accessory use or activity may be regarded as incidental or insubstantial in and of itself or in relation to the principal use on the lot; and
2. The accessory use or activity is commonly or frequently associated with the principal use on the lot.

Accessory uses that may be allowed in the M1 district are as follows:

C. Animals uses as follow, and excluding the keeping of farm animals and urban farm animals: the keeping of pets.

Chapter 17.33 – ED Education District

Section 17.33.020 – Conditional Uses.
Conditional uses that may be allowed in the ED district are set forth in the following list. In granting a conditional use request, the planning commission may attach to the conditional use permit such reasonable requirements as will ensure that the development in its proposed location:

1. Will not endanger the public health or safety;
2. Will not substantially reduce the value of adjoining or abutting property;
3. Will be in harmony with the area in which it is located; and
4. Will be in conformity with the comprehensive plan, transportation plan, or other plan officially adopted by the council;

Conditional uses that may be allowed in the ED district are as follows:

B. The keeping of animals outside the building housing the principal use; provided, that there is adequate accommodations for the animals, low impact on adjoining neighbors, as long as such animals do not cause a public nuisance or public safety or public health problem;

B. Animal uses as follow: the keeping of farm animals; provided, that at a minimum, the Planning Commission finds the proposal to be compliant with the performance standards in SMC 17.40.095.

Section 17.33.030 – Accessory Uses and Activities.
Accessory uses and activities set forth on the following list are allowed in the ED district; provided that:
The accessory use or activity may be regarded as incidental or insubstantial in and of itself or in relation to the principal use on the lot; and
The accessory use or activity is commonly or frequently associated with the principal use on the lot.

Accessory uses and activities allowed in the ED district are as follows:
G. The keeping of small animals inside the building housing the principal use, provided, that the animals are not allowed outside the building and do not endanger public health or safety;
G. Animal uses as follow, and excluding kennels:
1. The keeping of pets.
2. The keeping of urban farm animals subject to the specific performance standards of SMC 17.40.095.

Chapter 17.34 –PR Public Use & Recreation District.

Section 17.34.030 – Accessory Uses.
Accessory uses permitted in the PR district are as follows:
E. Animal uses as follow: the keeping of pets, farm animals and urban farm animals. The keeping of farm animals and urban farm animals in the PR District is not subject to the performance standards of SMC 17.40.095.

Section 17.34.040 – Conditional Uses.
Conditional uses that may be allowed in the PR district are set forth in the following list. In granting a conditional use request, the planning commission may attach to the conditional use permit such reasonable requirements as will ensure that the development in its proposed location:
   Will not endanger the public health or safety;
   Will not substantially reduce the value of adjoining or abutting property;
   Will be in harmony with the area in which it is located; and
   Will be in conformity with the comprehensive plan, transportation plan, or other plan officially adopted by the council;
Conditional uses that may be allowed in the PR district are as follows:
I. Kennel.

Chapter 17.40 – Performance Standards

Section 17.40.095 –Farm Animals & Urban Farm Animals
A. Where allowed by this code, the keeping of farm animals and urban farm animals is subject to the baseline standards in Table 17.40.095-1.

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1 These baseline standards may be subject to adaptive management under SMC 17.40.095(I).
2 Both the animal owner and the property owner upon which the animal(s) are kept shall be jointly and severally responsible to comply with the provisions of this chapter.

B. Animal Wastes. Any person who keeps animals under this title shall be responsible for the removal of any excreta deposited by the animal(s) on public areas or private property. Such person shall further not permit such excreta or food supplies, on the property of such person or elsewhere, to be or become a breeding place for insects or flies, to be or become unsanitary, or to give offensive odor.

C. Animal Health & Well-Being. Any person who keeps animals under this title shall provide shelter for the animal(s) in the event of extreme weather conditions, take precautions to ensure that the allowed animal is protected from predators, and provide appropriate health care, food and water for the animal(s).

D. Running At Large. No person who keeps animals under this title shall allow the animal(s) to run at large within the city. Structural features or equipment shall be installed to maintain and control the animal(s) so as to reduce the nuisance impact on adjacent land uses.

E. Setbacks. Stables and barns housing farm animals shall be set back at least 60 feet from all property lines. An existing stable or barn having a setback of less than 60 feet shall be considered a nonconforming use if the proponent can provide proof that the structure housed farm animals at the effective date of the ordinance codified in this section. Coops, hives, hutches and other structures housing urban farm animals shall be subject to the minimum density and dimensional standards required elsewhere in this code.

F. Self-Issuing Permits Required. Any person desiring to keep animals under this title shall first submit to the administrator a revocable permit on a form provided by the administrator to maintain farm animals or urban farm animals within the city. The application shall include the name and address of the person who will at all times be responsible for the animal(s) compliance with this section. The application shall also include at least the following information:

1. Size of the lot on which the animals are proposed;
2. Number of animals to be maintained pursuant to the permit;
3. Location(s) where and method(s) by which the allowed animals will be maintained on the property;
4. Where and how shelter will be provided for the animals in the event of extreme weather conditions;
5. How the animals will be protected from predators, including dogs, wolves, coyotes, cougars, etc.;
6. Planned health care provisions for the animals;
7. Planned method of removal of animal wastes;
8. The property owner’s permission to allow the administrator permission to enter and inspect the facility at any reasonable time, and assuring the administrator that the issuance criteria have been met.

G. Inspections. If the administrator has reasonable grounds to believe that an inspection is necessary, the administrator shall inspect the facility in order to determine whether the issuance criteria have been met. In determining whether to continue, manage, or revoke a permit, the administrator shall evaluate the application for consistency with the requirements of this section, and may obtain professional evaluations as necessary at the applicant’s expense.

H. Adaptive Permit Management, Optional.
1. Permits issued under this section may be amended from time to time as permittees’ animals or conditions change.
2. Adaptive Management. If the administrator finds that the permittee has violated any provisions of this section, or the provisions of this section, as applied to the specific facts of the permit, are inadequate to protect the public health, safety, and welfare OR prevent interference with the enjoyment of property of adjacent owners or residents the administrator may modify the permit to impose appropriate conditions. When modifying the permit, the administrator may use adaptive management strategies such as the following:
   a) Reduce number or type of animals permitted;
   b) Add or increase buffers around sensitive land uses;
   c) Reduce allowed duration of animals;
3. The decision by the administrator to amend a permit and use adaptive management strategies is discretionary and optional and may not be appropriate for all permits.

I. Permit Revocation, Effect, Appeals.
1. Permits issued under this section may be revoked from time to time as permittees’ animals or conditions change.
2. Permit Revocation. The administrator shall have authority to revoke a permit under the following circumstances:
   a) If over fifty (50) percent of the total number of adjacent property owners and residents, sign and file a petition with the administrator requesting revocation of the permit; or
   b) Violation of any of the provisions of this section or adaptive management measures imposed on a permit; or
   c) Failure to pay when due any charges, penalties, fees or costs associated with the animal permit; or
   d) When the owner keeps an animal or animals in such a manner as to create a public nuisance, disturb neighborhood residents because of any noise, odor or damage, or interfere with the enjoyment of property of adjacent owners or residents.
3. Upon revocation of a permit, the permittee shall be allowed seven (7) days in which to remove the animal(s).
4. The permittee shall have the right to appeal to the City Council by filing an appeal with the clerk-treasurer. The notice of appeal must be filed within five (5) days after receipt of the notice of revocation sent by the administrator. The Council shall consider the appeal within sixty days of the date it is filed. The revocation shall be stayed pending the hearing by the Council.
CITY OF STEVENSON, WASHINGTON

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-1093

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE STEVENSON ZONING CODE PROVISIONS (SMC TITLE 17) RELATING TO ANIMAL USES; AND REPEALING PORTIONS OF ORDINANCES 894 AND SECTIONS 4.3.B AND 4.4.G OF ORDINANCE 1077.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Goal 2 of the Stevenson Comprehensive Plan envisions a future where Development within the Stevenson Urban Area wisely considers the long-term interests of the community.

WHEREAS, Objective 3.1 of the Comprehensive Plan seeks periodic review and revision of land use regulations based on residents changing social and economic needs.

WHEREAS, Objective 3.4 of the Comprehensive Plan seeks to ensure appropriate maintenance of properties in the city.

WHEREAS, the City Council deems the expanding the areas where urban farm animals may be kept and reducing the areas where farm animals may be kept are components of achieving these Comprehensive Plan policies.

WHEREAS, the City has determined these regulations to be exempt from threshold determination under the State Environmental Policy Act under the Categorical Exemption in WAC 197-11-800(19)(b);

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission and City Council have given due public notice of hearings relating to this ordinance and have held such hearings;

AND WHEREAS, the Planning Commission has reviewed and recommended that the City Council approve these regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Stevenson do ordain as follows:

Section 1 - THAT, the following shall be added to Stevenson Municipal Code Chapter 17.09: “SMC 17.09.095 – Farm Animals & Urban Farm Animals. The council finds that farm animals and urban farm animals are generally incompatible with close-density housing within the city limits due to noise, odor, public health, and security issues. However, even in an urban setting, citizens may keep certain farm animals with minimal impact to adjoining neighbors, while helping residents access inexpensive, healthy food and environmentally-friendly alternatives to fertilizer and noxious weed control.”

Section 2 - THAT, the following definitions shall be added to Stevenson Municipal Code Chapter 17.10:

2.A- “SMC 17.10.025 – Adult Animal. “Adult Animal” means an animal that has been weaned from reliance on its mother and/or has reached the productive age for which it is bred or raised. For bees, a bee colony as it is defined in RCW 15.60.005 is considered one (1) adult animal.”

2.B- “SMC 17.10.302 – Farm Animal. “Farm Animal” means any large animal commonly raised or bred on a farm. “Farm Animal” includes alpacas, cattle, donkeys, emus, goats, horses, llamas, mules, ostriches, pigs, ponies, roosters, sheep, and similar animals. “Farm Animal” does not include pets (SMC 17.10.632) or urban farm animals (SMC 17.10.303).”

2.C- “SMC 17.10.303 – Farm Animal, Urban. “Urban Farm Animal” means any small animal commonly raised or bred on a farm but which have minimal impact when kept in residential areas. “Urban Farm Animal” includes bees, chickens, ducks, geese, pigeons, pheasants, turkeys, rabbits and other fur bearing animals, and similar small...
animals. “Urban Farm Animal” does not include roosters, pets (SMC 17.10.632) or farm animals (SMC 17.10.302).”

2.D- “SMC 17.10.632 – Pet. “Pet” means any animal commonly considered to be household pets, such as a cat, a dog as regulated under SMC 6.04, a fish kept in a tank or landscape pond, a gerbil, hamster, guinea pig, parakeet, parrot, or similar bird or rodent-like creature kept in a cage.”

Section 3- THAT, the following changes shall be made to Stevenson Municipal Code Chapter 17.16:

3.A- Subsection SMC 17.16.010(C), a portion of Ordinance 894, shall be repealed and replaced as follows:

“SMC 17.16.010(C) Agricultural uses including:
1. Subsistence or hobby type gardening.
2. Indoor and outdoor horticulture.
3. Nursery.”

3.B- Subsection SMC 17.16.010(D), a portion of Ordinance 894, shall be repealed in its entirety.

3.C- Subsection SMC 17.16.010(E), a portion of Ordinance 894, shall be repealed and replaced as follows:

“SMC 17.16.010(E) Animal uses as follow, subject to the specific performance standards of SMC 17.40.095:
1. The keeping of farm animals.
2. The keeping of urban farm animals.”

3.D- Subsection SMC 17.16.030(C), a portion of Ordinance 894, shall be repealed and replaced as follows:

“SMC 17.16.030(C) Home occupation, including retail and wholesale sales of agricultural and animal products raised or produced on the premises;”

3.E- Subsection SMC 17.16.030(H), a portion of Ordinance 894, shall be repealed and replaced as follows:

“SMC 17.16.030(H) Animal uses as follow: the keeping of pets.”

3.F- Subsection SMC 17.16.030(I), a portion of Ordinance 894, shall be repealed in its entirety.

Section 4- THAT, the following changes shall be made to Stevenson Municipal Code Chapter 17.18:

4.A- Subsection SMC 17.18.020(K), a portion of Ordinance 894, shall be repealed and replaced as follows:

“SMC 17.18.020(K) Animal uses as follow:
1. The keeping of farm animals, provided that, at a minimum, the Planning Commission finds the proposal to be compliant with the performance standards in SMC 17.40.095.
2. Kennel.”

4.B- Subsection SMC 17.18.030(F), a portion of Ordinance 894, shall be repealed and replaced as follows:

“SMC 17.18.030(F) Animals uses as follow:
1. The keeping of pets.
2. The keeping of urban farm animals subject to the specific performance standards of SMC 17.40.095.”

4.C- Subsection SMC 17.18.030(G), a portion of Ordinance 894, shall be repealed in its entirety.
Section 5- THAT, the following changes shall be made to Stevenson Municipal Code Chapter 17.20:

5.A- Subsection SMC 17.20.020(L), a portion of Ordinance 894, shall be repealed in its entirety.

5.B- Subsection SMC 17.20.030(F), a portion of Ordinance 894, shall be repealed and replaced as follows:

“SMC 17.20.030(F) Animal uses as follow, and excluding kennels and the keeping of farm animals:
1. The keeping of pets.
2. The keeping of urban farm animals subject to the specific performance standards of SMC 17.40.095.”

5.C- Subsection SMC 17.20.030(G), a portion of Ordinance 894, shall be repealed in its entirety.

Section 6- THAT, the following changes shall be made to Stevenson Municipal Code Chapter 17.22:

6.A- Subsection SMC 17.22.030(F), a portion of Ordinance 894, shall be repealed and replaced as follows:

“SMC 17.22.030(F) Animal uses as follow, and excluding kennels and the keeping of farm animals:
1. The keeping of pets.
2. The keeping of urban farm animals subject to the specific performance standards of SMC 17.40.095.”

6.B- Subsection SMC 17.22.030(G), a portion of Ordinance 894, shall be repealed in its entirety.

Section 7- THAT, the following changes shall be made to Stevenson Municipal Code Chapter 17.24:

7.A- Subsection SMC 17.24.030(F), a portion of Ordinance 894, shall be repealed and replaced as follows:

“SMC 17.24.030(F) Animal uses as follow, and excluding kennels and the keeping of farm animals:
1. The keeping of pets.
2. The keeping of urban farm animals subject to the specific performance standards of SMC 17.40.095.”

7.B- Subsection SMC 17.24.030(G), a portion of Ordinance 894, shall be repealed in its entirety.

Section 8- THAT, the following changes shall be made to Stevenson Municipal Code Chapter 17.28:

8.A- Subsection SMC 17.28.010(C), a portion of Ordinance 894, shall be repealed and replaced as follows:

“SMC 17.28.010(C) Retail sales, personal and other services including kennel services, and rental operations;”

8.B- A new subsection, SMC 17.28.030(E), shall be added as follows:

“SMC 17.28.030(E) Animal uses as follow, and excluding the keeping of farm animals and urban farm animals: the keeping of pets.”

Section 9- THAT, the following changes shall be made to Stevenson Municipal Code Chapter 17.30:
9.A- A new subsection, SMC 17.30.030(E), shall be added as follows:

“SMC 17.30.030(E) Animal uses as follow, and excluding kennels:
1. The keeping of pets.
2. The keeping of urban farm animals subject to the specific performance standards of SMC 17.40.095.”

9.B- Subsection SMC 17.30.050(E), a portion of Ordinance 894, shall be repealed and replaced as follows:

“SMC 17.30.050(E) Animal uses as follow: a limited allowance of farm animals when kept for the sole purpose of providing recreational horse, pony, mule and donkey rides, but excluding all other farm animals.”

**Section 10**- THAT, the following changes shall be made to Stevenson Municipal Code Chapter 17.32:

10.A- A new subsection, SMC 17.32.010(H) shall be added as follows:

“SMC 17.32.010(H) Kennel.”

10.B- A new subsection, SMC 17.32.030(E), shall be added as follows:

“SMC 17.32.030(E) Animals uses as follow, and excluding the keeping of farm animals and urban farm animals: the keeping of pets.”

**Section 11**- THAT, the following changes shall be made to Stevenson Municipal Code Chapter 17.33:

11.A- Subsection SMC 17.33.020(B), Section 4.3.b of Ordinance 1077, shall be repealed and replaced as follows:

“SMC 17.33.020(B) Animal uses as follow: the keeping of farm animals; provided, that at a minimum, the Planning Commission finds the proposal to be compliant with the performance standards in SMC 17.40.095.”

11.B- Subsection SMC 17.33.030(G), Section 4.4.g of Ordinance 1077, shall be repealed and replaced as follows:

“SMC 17.33.030(G) Animal uses as follow, and excluding kennels:
1. The keeping of pets,
2. The keeping of urban farm animals subject to the specific performance standards of SMC 17.40.095.”

**Section 12**- THAT, the following changes shall be made to Stevenson Municipal Code Chapter 17.34:

12.A- A new subsection, SMC 17.34.030(E) shall be added as follows:

“SMC 17.34.030(E) Animal uses as follow: the keeping of pets, farm animals and urban farm animals. The keeping of farm animals and urban farm animals in the PR District is not subject to the performance standards of SMC 17.40.095.”

12.B- A new subsection, SMC 17.34.040(J) shall be added as follows:

“SMC 17.34.040(J) Kennel.”

**Section 13**- THAT, the following shall be added to Stevenson Municipal Code Chapter 17.40: “SMC 17.40.095 – Farm Animals & Urban Farm Animals.

13.A- A. Where allowed by this code, the keeping of farm animals and urban farm animals is subject to the baseline standards in Table 17.40.095-1.

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1 These baseline standards may be subject to adaptive management under SMC 17.40.095(I).
2 Both the animal owner and the property owner upon which the animal(s) are kept shall be jointly and severally responsible to comply with the provisions of this chapter.

13.B- B. Animal Wastes. Any person who keeps animals under this title shall be responsible for the removal of any excreta deposited by the animal(s) on public areas or private property. Such person shall further not permit such excreta or food supplies, on the property of such person or elsewhere, to be or become a breeding place for insects or flies, to be or become unsanitary, or to give offensive odor.

13.C- C. Animal Health & Well-Being. Any person who keeps animals under this title shall provide shelter for the animal(s) in the event of extreme weather conditions, take precautions to ensure that the allowed animal is protected from predators, and provide appropriate health care, food and water for the animal(s).

13.D- D. Running At Large. No person who keeps animals under this title shall allow the animal(s) to run at large within the city. Structural features or equipment shall be installed to maintain and control the animal(s) so as to reduce the nuisance impact on adjacent land uses.

13.E- E. Setbacks. Stables and barns housing farm animals shall be set back at least 60 feet from all property lines. An existing stable or barn having a setback of less than 60 feet shall be considered a nonconforming use if the proponent can provide proof that the structure housed farm animals at the effective date of the ordinance codified in this section. Coops, hives, hutches and other structures housing urban farm animals shall be subject to the minimum density and dimensional standards required elsewhere in this code.

13.F- F. Self-Issuing Permits Required. Any person desiring to keep animals under this title shall first submit to the administrator a revocable permit on a form provided by the administrator to maintain farm animals or urban farm animals within the city. The application shall include the name and address of the person who will at all times be responsible for the animal(s) compliance with this section. The application shall also include at least the following information:

1. Size of the lot on which the animals are proposed;
2. Number of animals to be maintained pursuant to the permit;
3. Location(s) where and method(s) by which the allowed animals will be maintained on the property;
4. Where an how shelter will be provided for the animals in the event of extreme weather conditions;
5. How the animals will be protected from predators, including dogs, wolves, coyotes, cougars, etc.;
6. Planned health care provisions for the animals;
7. Planned method of removal of animal wastes;
8. The property owner’s permission to allow the administrator permission to enter and inspect the facility at any reasonable time, and assuring the administrator that the issuance criteria have been met.

13.G- G. Inspections. If the administrator has reasonable grounds to believe that an inspection is necessary, the administrator shall inspect the facility in order to
determine whether the issuance criteria have been met. In determining whether to continue, manage, or revoke a permit, the administrator shall evaluate the application for consistency with the requirements of this section, and may obtain professional evaluations as necessary at the applicant’s expense.


1. Permits issued under this section may be amended from time to time as permittees’ animals or conditions change.

2. Adaptive Management. If the administrator finds that the permittee has violated any provisions of this section, or the provisions of this section, as applied to the specific facts of the permit, are inadequate to protect the public health, safety, and welfare or prevent interference with the enjoyment of property of adjacent owners or residents, the administrator may modify the permit to impose appropriate conditions. When modifying the permit, the administrator may use adaptive management strategies such as the following:
   a) Reduce number or type of animals permitted;
   b) Add or increase buffers around sensitive land uses;
   c) Reduce allowed duration of animals;

3. The decision by the administrator to amend a permit and use adaptive management strategies is discretionary and optional and may not be appropriate for all permits.

13.I- I. Permit Revocation, Effect, Appeals

1. Permits issued under this section may be revoked from time to time as permittees’ animals or conditions change.

2. Permit Revocation. The administrator shall have authority to revoke a permit under the following circumstances:
   a) If over fifty (50) percent of the total number of adjacent property owners and residents, sign and file a petition with the administrator requesting revocation of the permit; or
   b) Violation of any of the provisions of this section or adaptive management measures imposed on a permit; or
   c) Failure to pay when due any charges, penalties, fees or costs associated with the animal permit; or
   d) When the owner keeps an animal or animals in such a manner as to create a public nuisance, disturb neighborhood residents because of any noise, odor or damage, or interfere with the enjoyment of property of adjacent owners or residents.

3. Upon revocation of a permit, the permittee shall be allowed seven (7) days in which to remove the animal(s).

4. The permittee shall have the right to appeal to the City Council by filing an appeal with the clerk-treasurer. The notice of appeal must be filed within five (5) days after receipt of the notice of revocation sent by the administrator. The Council shall consider the appeal within sixty days of the date it is filed. The revocation shall be stayed pending the hearing by the Council.

Section 14- THAT, this ordinance affects Title 17 of the Stevenson Municipal Code only insofar as set forth herein. All other provisions of Title 17 shall remain in full force and effect, and that where the provisions of this ordinance are the same as the provisions they replace, the provisions of this ordinance shall be interpreted as a continuation of those previous provisions and not as a new enactment.
Section 15: THAT, if any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force five (5) days after its publication according to law.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Stevenson and approved by the Mayor this _____ day of ________________, 2016.

Mayor of the City of Stevenson

ATTEST:

Nick Hogan, Clerk of the City of Stevenson

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

KEN WOODRICH, Attorney for the City of Stevenson
Farm & Urban Farm Animals in Stevenson

In 2016, the Stevenson City Council updated its regulatory program for animals in city limits. The new regulations recognize both the general incompatibility of farm animals and urban farm animals in close-density housing areas and the many benefits residents can realize by raising the animals on their own property. This handout helps explain the City’s approach in allowing residents to keep animals while reducing real and potential neighborhood concerns.

Permitting Process
None! Unless you are building a fence, a barn, a coop, or some other structure to house them, you do not need the City’s approval to keep animals.

Urban Farm Animal Calculator
All properties outside of the downtown area are allowed to have chickens, geese, turkeys, bees, rabbits and other small animals, but the total number of urban farm animals allowed is based on the size of the lot. If a lot is less than 45,000 sf, up to 15 animals are allowed, and 3 additional animals are allowed as lot size increases by increments of 3,000 sf.

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*Note: 1 acre equals 43,560 sf
The number of animals you can have is cumulative. Feel free to keep up to 15 chickens and 15 alpacas on a 45,000 sf lot.

Farm Animal Calculator
Only properties in the SR- Suburban Residential zone are allowed to have alpacas, cows, goats, horses, pigs, roosters and other larger animals. However, only large lots in the zone can have these large animals. If lot is 45,000 sf, it can have up to 15 animals, and 1 additional animal is allowed as lot size increases by increments of 3,000 sf.

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Common Sense Animal Care
In addition to the number limit, the City wants property owners to show they are mindful of both their neighbors’ and their animals needs by taking the following steps:

Good Fences Make Good (Animal) Neighbors- Your animals can’t run at large in the City or on neighboring lots. Please ensure fences or other structures are secure enough to keep your animals on your property.

“Pee-Yooooo!”- The flies and the smells from animal wastes don’t make very many people happy and the City asks you to make sure all wastes are cleaned up and removed before they raises a neighborhood stink.

Look out for those little guys- The animals are relying on you for healthcare, food and water and to provide some protection from extreme weather and predators. If you don’t have their back, the City’s animal cruelty regulations will.

No kidding! Goats for Fire/Weed Control- If you’ve got a blackberry patch you’d like to get rid of, you might find a friend with some hungry goats. You can let up to 6 goats do all that thorny work for you. Two weeks later, you can send those satisfied goats back to their owner and start using your lawn again.

Holler at us- If you have concerns or questions call us at (509)427-5970, email planning@ci.stevenson.wa.us, or browse through the regulations yourself at SMC 6.10, SMC 6.12, and SMC 17.40.095.
6.10.005 – Findings, Declaration of Purpose.

The council finds that the keeping of goats is generally incompatible with close-density housing within the city limits due to noise, odor, public health, and security issues. However, even in an urban setting, citizens may temporarily keep certain goats with minimal impact to adjoining neighbors, while helping residents access inexpensive and environmentally-friendly alternatives to fire risk reduction and noxious weed control.

6.10.010 – Goats, Allowed Temporarily

Notwithstanding the regulations in SMC Title 17, goats may be kept on any property in the City when used for the reduction of fire risk and/or control of weeds or noxious vegetation. This allowance is limited to no more than six (6) goats for a period of time not to exceed 14 days in any 60-day period.

6.10.015 – Running At Large Prohibited.

No person who keeps a goat or goats under this chapter shall allow the animal(s) to run at large within the city. Structural features or equipment shall be installed to maintain and control the animal(s) so as to reduce the nuisance impact on adjacent land uses. Both the goat owner and the property owner upon which the goat(s) are kept shall be jointly and severally responsible to comply with the provisions of this chapter.
CITY OF STEVENSON, WASHINGTON

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-1093

AN ORDINANCE ALLOWING THE TEMPORARY KEEPING OF
GOATS ON ALL PROPERTIES IN THE CITY WHEN USED FOR
FIRE AND WEED CONTROL.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Objective 2.6 of the Stevenson Comprehensive Plan seeks to protect public and private property from fire hazards, and

WHEREAS, Objective 3.4 of the Comprehensive Plan seeks to ensure appropriate maintenance of properties in the city, and

WHEREAS, the City Council seeks to grant limited relief from the Stevenson Zoning Code’s regulations regarding the keeping of goats in the City in order to further Comprehensive Plan Objectives 2.6 and 3.4, and

WHEREAS, the City Council deems the limited relief granted herein as an appropriate use of their police power to secure and promote the health, safety and general welfare of the people of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City has determined these regulations to be exempt from threshold determination under the State Environmental Policy Act under the Categorical Exemption in WAC 197-11-800(19)(a);

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission and City Council have given due public notice of hearings relating to this ordinance and have held such hearings;

AND WHEREAS, the Planning Commission has reviewed and recommended that the City Council approve these regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Stevenson do ordain as follows:

Section 1- THAT, a new chapter shall be added to the Stevenson Municipal Code as Chapter 6.10 Goats Used for Fire and Weed Control.

Section 2- THAT, the following shall be added to Stevenson Municipal Code Chapter 6.10: “SMC 6.10.010 – Findings, Intent and Purpose. The council finds that the keeping of goats is generally incompatible with close-density housing within the city limits due to noise, odor, public health, and security issues. However, even in an urban setting, citizens may temporarily keep certain goats with minimal impact to adjoining neighbors, while helping residents access inexpensive and environmentally-friendly alternatives to fire risk reduction and noxious weed control.”

Section 3- THAT, the following shall be added to Stevenson Municipal Code Chapter 6.10: “SMC 6.10.020 – Goats, Allowed Temporarily. Notwithstanding the regulations in SMC Title 17, goats may be kept on any property in the City when used for the reduction of fire risk and/or control of weeds or noxious vegetation. This allowance is limited to no more than six (6) goats for a period of time not to exceed 14 days in any 60-day period.”

Section 4- THAT, the following shall be added to Stevenson Municipal Code Chapter 6.10: “SMC 6.10.030 – Running At Large Prohibited. No person who keeps a goat or goats under this chapter shall allow the animal(s) to run at large within the city. Structural features or equipment shall be installed to maintain and control the animal(s) so as to reduce the nuisance impact on adjacent land uses. Both the goat owner and the property owner upon which the goat(s) are kept shall be jointly and severally responsible to comply with the provisions of this chapter.”
Section 5- THAT, if any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force five (5) days after its publication according to law.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Stevenson and approved by the Mayor this _____ day of _____________________, 2016.

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Mayor of the City of Stevenson

ATTEST:

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Nick Hogan, Clerk of the City of Stevenson

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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KEN WOODRICH, Attorney for the City of Stevenson