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RESOLUTION 2020-14

The Board of Trustees of Miami Township, Clermont County, Ohio met in regular session at the Miami Township Civic Center on June 16, 2020 with the following members present: Ken Tracy, Mary Makley Wolff and Karl Schultz.

A motion was made to adopt the following Resolution:

AGREEING TO INITIATE AMENDMENTS TO THE ZONING RESOLUTION OF MIAMI TOWNSHIP, CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO AND DISPENSING WITH THE SECOND READING

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 519.12 provides that an amendment to a township zoning resolution may be initiated by the township board of trustees by resolution; and

WHEREAS, through the zone amendment process the Board will examine and consider revisions to rules governing backyard chickens, beekeeping and household pets within Miami Township; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires that its regulations acknowledge and reflect current community standards and interest regarding these areas; and

WHEREAS, the Board would like to initiate the process to amend the Miami Township, Clermont County, Zoning Resolution ("MTZR") to update applicable regulations within the Township accordingly.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Miami Township, Clermont County, Ohio, as follows:

SECTION 1: Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 519.12(A)(1), the Board hereby initiates amendments to the MTZR described below.

SECTION 2: Current MTZR regulations will be amended with certain text revisions, a copy of which is appended hereto as Exhibit "A".

SECTION 3: Upon adoption, this Resolution shall be certified to the Miami Township Zoning Commission at its next regularly scheduled meeting for processing in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 519.12(A)(2) *et seq.*

SECTION 4: The Board finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of its committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 5: The Board does hereby dispense with the requirement that this Resolution be read on two separate days, pursuant to Section 504.10 of the Ohio Revised Code, and authorizes the adoption of this Resolution upon its first reading.

SECTION 6: This Resolution shall take effect at the earliest period allowed by law.

First Reading: June 16, 2020
Second Reading: Dispensed with
Effective: July 26, 2020

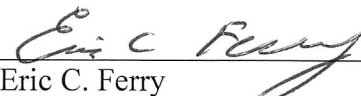
The motion was seconded, and the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Tracy	<u>Aye</u>
Ms. Wolff	<u>Aye</u>
Mr. Schultz	<u>Aye</u>

Resolution 2020-14 adopted June 16, 2020.

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Eric C. Ferry
Township Fiscal Officer


Joseph J. Braun
Township Law Director

CERTIFICATION

I, Eric C. Ferry, Fiscal Officer of Miami Township, do hereby certify that the foregoing is taken and copied from the Record of the Proceedings of Miami Township; that the same has been compared by me with the Resolution of said Record and that it is a true and correct copy thereof.


Eric Ferry, Fiscal Officer

Exhibit A

Editors note: -Remove language from Sections 5.04H and 7.04D and insert in Chapter 25 with below revisions. -Delete sections 5.04H and 7.04D. -Move definitions of Household Pets from Chapter 23 to Chapter 25 with below revisions. -Delete definition of Household Pets from Chapter 23. ¶

H. 25.10 Agricultural Uses in R-1, R-2, R-3, H, R-PUD, SRUV and T residential districts in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 519.21 are allowed as follows: ¶

1.A. -For properties described in Ohio Revised Section 519.21(B)(1) (generally, lots under one acre), in platted subdivisions or in any area consisting of 15 or more lots approved under Section 711.131 of the Revised Code that are contiguous to one another or some of which are contiguous to one another and adjacent to one side of a dedicated public road and the balance of which are contiguous to one another and adjacent to the opposite side of the same dedicated public road regulate a) on lots of less than one acre. Agricultural uses are limited to the keeping of household pets only. ¶

1. Dog houses or dog runs or other structures designed for the temporary or permanent habitation or containment of household pets shall be located in rear yards only and no closer than 15 feet from side or rear lot lines. ¶

2. Any such doghouse, dog run or other accessory structure for Household Pet habitation, except for a chicken coop, shall be no larger than 24 square feet. No chicken coop shall exceed 30 square feet and seven feet in height. ¶

3. No more than six chickens may be kept on a property. Chickens shall be securely confined to the rear yard area by fencing or structure. ¶

4. Bees may be maintained as a hobby. Any beehive or bee structure must be located in the rear yard area at least 25 feet from any property line, and there shall be no more than two beehives per lot. ¶

5. Anyone using their residential property for animal rescue shall at no time have more than a total of four Household Pets on the premises. ¶

2.B. -For properties lots greater than one acre but less than five acres described in Ohio Revised Code Section 519.12(B)(2) (generally lots from one to five acres), buildings or structures incident to the use of land for agricultural purposes are regulated as follows: ¶

a. Structures for Household Pets and bees are subject to the conditions set forth in Section 25.10A5.01(H)(1). ¶

b. The keeping of other animals or fowl (other than chickens) is permitted only in suitable structures located a minimum of 200 feet from rear and side lot lines and only in the rear yard of the lot. Any horse, cattle, sheep or hog or other animal exceeding 35 pounds in weight shall be sheltered not less than 300 feet from rear and side lot lines. All equipment must be kept inside the structure at all times. ¶

C. HOUSEHOLD PETS: For purposes of this resolution, household Pets include dogs, cats, indoor caged birds, snakes of less than six feet, mice, gerbils, ferrets, hamsters, minks, rabbits, guinea pigs, fish, turtles, lizards, and iguanas, similar indoor-only caged animals, and chickens (excluding roosters). No household may have more than three adult and/or licensed dogs and cats or combination thereof. ¶