

## ORDINANCE NO. 425

### AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO DOG LICENSING AND REGULATION

The City Council of the City of Springfield, Minnesota, does ordain that Section 2.40 of the City Code be amended to read as follows:

#### 2.40 Kennels.

- A. Definition of Kennel. The keeping of three or more dogs or three or more cats on the same premises, whether owned by the same person or not and for whatever purpose kept, shall constitute a “kennel;” except that a fresh litter of pups or kittens may be kept for a period of three months before such keeping shall be deemed to be a “kennel.”
- B. Kennel as a Nuisance. Because the keeping of three or more dogs or three or more cats on the same premises is subject to great abuse, causing discomfort to persons in the area by way of smell, noise, hazard, and general aesthetic depreciation, the keeping of three or more dogs or three or more cats on the premises is hereby declared to be a nuisance and no person shall keep or maintain a kennel within the City.
- C. Paragraph B above shall not apply to any kennel that meets the following conditions:
  - a. The kennel is located in any area that is zoned industrial;
  - b. The property on which the kennel is located is not used as a residence for any individual; and
  - c. The kennel, as defined by Section 2.40 (A), is operated and maintained to the same standard required for kennels as defined by Minnesota Statutes.

Effective Date: This ordinance becomes effective upon its passage and publication according to law.

Adopted by the Springfield City Council this 19th day of March, 2019.

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Lowell Helget, Mayor

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Amy Vogel, City Clerk