

**ORDINANCE FOR AMENDMENT TO KEEPING OF ANIMAL STANDARDS  
FOR  
SHELBY COUNTY**

Ordinance No. 2015-41

**5.38 5.39 KA-01/02 Keeping of Household Chickens Standards**

This Keeping of Household Chickens Standards Section applies to the following zoning districts:  
A1, A2, A3, RE, R1, R2, VR, VM

The following standards apply:

A. Household Chickens: Household chickens shall be allowed as follows:

1. Minimum Lot Area: One-fifth (1/5) acre.
2. Maximum number of chickens: Ten (10) chickens per lot.
3. Permitted and Prohibited Types: Hens shall be permitted and roosters shall be prohibited.
4. Chicken coup: A chicken coup shall be required and all chickens must be contained within an appropriately fenced area.
5. Location: A coup shall be permitted in the rear yard only and within the setbacks applicable to a primary structure in the subject zoning district. It shall be at least fifty (50) feet from residences on any adjoining lot.
6. These household chicken standards shall not interfere in any way with the Pastured Farm Animals Standards for Chickens.

**5.41 KA-04 Agricultural Keeping of Farm Animals Standards**

This Agricultural Keeping of Stabled Horses Section applies to the following zoning districts:  
A1, A2, A3, A4

The following standards apply:

A. Stabled Horses: Stabled Horses shall be allowed as follows:

1. Minimum Lot Area: Five (5) acres.
2. Maximum number of horses: Five (5) horses per acre of lot size. Maximum seventy-five (75) horses.
3. Stable requirement: Each lot must have one stable, including a stall for each stabled horse on the property. Each stable shall have a minimum main floor area of two hundred forty (240) square feet per one (1) stabled horse. Stall sizes shall be a minimum twelve (12) feet by twelve (12) feet in area.
4. Setbacks: A stable shall be permitted within the setbacks applicable to a primary structure in the subject zoning district and must be a minimum one hundred fifty (150) feet from the nearest residence.

5. Pasture turnout of stabled horses: Stabled horses in pasture areas are required to meet all requirements of the Pastured Farm Animals standards, other than the minimum lot area.
6. Manure management plan: Each property owner wishing to build and operate a stable must submit a manure management plan to the Technical Review Committee. Animal waste shall be disposed of either by sanitary sewer, dumpster removal, offsite composting, or other method approved by the Technical Review Committee. Animal waste may not be allowed to accumulate on the property for more than two weeks, and at no time is the total quantity to exceed thirty (30) cubic yards.

#### **5.42 KA-05 Rural Keeping of Farm Animals Standards**

This Rural Keeping of Stabled Horses Section applies to the following zoning districts:  
RE

The following standards apply:

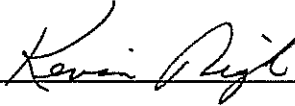
- A. Stabled Horses: Stabled Horses shall be allowed as follows:
  1. Minimum Lot Area: Six (6) acres.
  2. Maximum number of horses: Five (5) horses per acre of lot size. Maximum fifty (50) horses.
  3. Stable requirement: Each lot must have one stable, including a stall for each stabled horse on the property. Each stable shall have a minimum main floor area of two hundred forty (240) square feet per one (1) stabled horse. Stall sizes shall be a minimum twelve (12) feet by twelve (12) feet in area.
  4. Setbacks: A stable shall be permitted within the setbacks applicable to a primary structure in the subject zoning district and must be a minimum one hundred (100) feet from any property line.
  5. Pasture turnout of stabled horses: Stabled horses in pasture areas are required to meet all requirements of the Pastured Farm Animals standards, other than the minimum lot area.
  6. Manure management plan: Each property owner wishing to build and operate a stable must submit a manure management plan to the Technical Review Committee. Animal waste shall be disposed of either by sanitary sewer, dumpster removal, composting, or other method approved by the Technical Review Committee. Animal waste may not be allowed to accumulate on the property for more than two weeks, and at no time is the total quantity to exceed thirty (30) cubic yards.

#### **Article 11 Definitions:**

Stable: A structure in which horses are kept for the purposes of boarding, breeding, personal use, or training. A stable shall not be used for human occupancy unless a proper variance has been issued by the Board of Zoning Appeals.

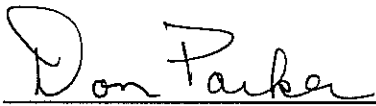
Stall: A stall means a compartment, in a stable, used for the keeping of a horse or horses.

ADOPTED this 16<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2015 by a vote of 3 ayes and 0 nays of members of the Board of Commissioners of Shelby County, Indiana.



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Kevin Nigh, President



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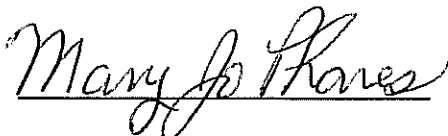
Don Parker, Member



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Chris Ross, Member

ATTEST:



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Mary Jo Phares, Auditor

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