

ORDINANCE NO. 206

ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE to amend certain portions of the Zoning Ordinance of Zeeland Charter Township, Ottawa County, Michigan, for the purpose of defining Exotic Animals and adding a special use procedure for the keeping of Exotic Animals.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF ZEELAND, COUNTY OF OTTAWA, AND STATE OF MICHIGAN, ORDAINS:

Section 1. Definition of Exotic Animals. That Section 3.6-1 of the Zoning Ordinance be added to state in its entirety as follows:

Section 3.6-1 ANIMALS. EXOTIC. Animals which are not normally considered to be household pets or farm animals, but which are potentially dangerous. Exotic animals include, but are not limited to, apes, bears, bobcats, cougars, jaguars, lions, panthers, poisonous snakes, tigers and wolves. In the event that a person disagrees with the Zoning Administrator's determination that an animal is or is not an exotic animal, that person may appeal to the Board of Appeals for a determination pursuant to Section 20 of the Zoning Act.

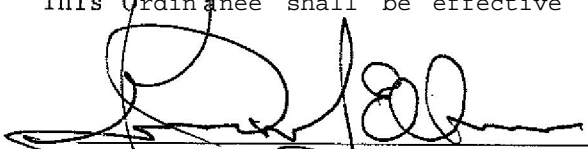
Section 2. Regulation of Exotic Animals. That Section 4.19.C of the Zoning Ordinance be added to state in its entirety as follows:

c. The keeping of exotic animals in any zoning district is expressly prohibited unless authorized as a special use by the Planning Commission. In considering whether or not to grant such a special use authorization for the keeping of exotic animals, the Planning Commission shall consider the following standards:

- (1) The size, nature and character of the exotic animal(s);
- (2) The proximity of the exotic animal(s) to adjoining properties;
- (3) Potential traffic congestion caused by the exotic animal(s);
- (4) The effect of the exotic animal(s) on the surrounding neighborhood;
- (5) The nature and character of the land, buildings or structures to be utilized for the keeping of the exotic animal(s); and
- (6) Any other applicable and relevant standards set forth in this Ordinance relative to special uses.

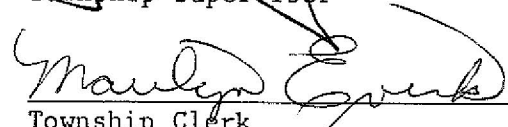
Section 3. Repeal. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 4. Effective Date. That this Ordinance was approved and adopted by the Township Board of Zeeland Charter Township, Ottawa County, Michigan, on Jan. 18, 199~, after a public hearing as required pursuant to Michigan Act 184 of 1943, as amended, and after introduction and first reading on Dec. 21, 199~, and publication after such first reading as required by Michigan Act 359 of 1947, as amended. This Ordinance shall be effective upon publication.



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Township Supervisor



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Township Clerk

CERTIFICATE

I, Marilyn Evink, the Clerk for the Charter Township of Zeeland, Ottawa County, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing Zeeland Charter Township Zoning Text Amendment Ordinance was adopted at a Regular meeting of the Township Board held on Jan. 14, 1991. The following members of the Township Board were present at that meeting: Ellens, Evink, De Kleine, Berghorst, Norman, Nykamp, Timmer. The following members of the Township Board were absent: none. The Ordinance was adopted by the Township Board with five members of the Board voting in favor and with members of the Board none voting in opposition. Notice of Adoption and Posting of the Ordinance was published in the Grand Rapids Press - Lakeshore Edition on Jan. 28, 1991. An attested copy of the Ordinance was sent to the Ottawa County Clerk by first class mail, postage prepaid, on Feb. 1, 1991.

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Zeeland Charter Township Clerk