

CITY OF MOUND
ORDINANCE NO. _____

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE REGULATIONS OF CHAPTER 129 ZONING
TO ADD HUMANE PET STORE REGULATIONS**

The City Council of the City of Mound ordains:

SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of Mound hereby amends Chapter 129, Section 129-2 to add the following underlined text and remove the stricken text:

Pet and Veterinary Services means facilities primarily engaged in the ~~sale, grooming, retail of supplies or~~ veterinary care of pets/non-agricultural animals; these uses do not include non-medical-related commercial boarding of animals (see Kennels), grooming services, or sale of animals (see Retail, General).

Retail, General means establishments engaged in selling goods or merchandise to the general public for personal or household consumption and rendering services incidental to the sale of the goods; examples include, but are not limited to: grocery, liquor, department, variety, clothing, furniture, antique, gift, drug, hardware, and book stores, news shops, flower shops, consignment shops, pet stores, and show rooms for retail. Incidental repair of items sold may be provided on site. Pawn shops and auction halls are not considered general retail.

SECTION 2. The City Council of the City of Mound hereby amends Chapter 129, Section 129-2 to add the following underlined text in alphabetical order:

Animal control authority means any governmental entity which is responsible for animal control operations in its jurisdiction.

Animal rescue organization means any not-for-profit organization which has tax-exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the federal Internal Revenue Code, whose mission and practice is, in whole or in significant part, the rescue of animals and the placement of those animals in permanent homes, and which does not breed animals.

Animal shelter means any not-for-profit organization which has tax-exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the federal Internal Revenue Code, which:

Accepts animals into a physical facility;

Is devoted to the rescue, care, and adoption of stray, abandoned, unwanted or surrendered animals;

Places animals in permanent homes or with animal rescue organizations; and

Does not breed animals.

Certificate of source means a document from an animal control authority, animal rescue organization, or animal shelter which shall provide a brief description of the dog or cat, and shall list the name, address, and telephone number of the source (animal control authority, animal rescue organization, or animal shelter) of the dog or cat.

Pet store operator means a person or business entity who owns or operates a pet store.

SECTION 3. The City Council of the City of Mound hereby amends Chapter 129 to add the following underlined text in a new section, Section 129-337 Pet Stores:

Section 129-331 Pet stores.

(a) Prohibition on sales.

(1) No pet store shall sell, deliver, offer for sale, barter, auction, give away, or otherwise transfer or dispose of cats or dogs.

(2) Nothing in this section shall prohibit pet stores from collaborating with animal shelters, animal rescue organizations, and animal control authorities to offer space for such entities to showcase adoptable dogs and cats inside pet stores.

a. Such animals shall not be younger than eight weeks old.

b. Dogs that are showcased for adoption shall not be kept overnight at a pet store.

c. Cats that are showcased for adoption shall not be kept overnight at a pet shop without provision for care and monitoring outside of pet store business hours.

(b) Certification of Source.

(1) A pet store shall post and maintain a certificate of source in a conspicuous place on or within three feet of each dog's or cat's kennel, cage, or enclosure.

(2) A certificate of source shall be provided to the adopter of any dog or cat.

(3) Certificate of source records for each dog or cat shall be maintained by a pet store for at least one year from the last date that a dog or cat appeared in the store.

(4) Pet stores shall make certificates of source immediately available for review upon the request of a peace officer or animal control authority, or a humane agent pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 343.06 acting on behalf of the city.

(5) Falsification of a certificate of source shall be deemed a violation of this section.

SECTION 4. This ordinance becomes effective on the first day following the date of its publication, or upon the publication of a summary of the ordinance as provided by Minn. Stat. § 412.191, subd. 4, as it may be amended from time to time, which meets the requirements of Minn. Stat. § 331A.01, subd. 10, as it may be amended from time to time.

Adopted by the City Council this 26th day of May, 2026.

Mayor Jason R. Holt

Attest: Kevin Kelly, Clerk

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