

EXHIBIT A: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 151 THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE

Underline and ~~Strikethrough~~ – Staff recommendations

I. Animal Exhibitions

Amendment #1

Amend 151.111/Zoning Use Table to read as follows:

151.111 USE TABLE

Use Category	Use Types	AG	RE	E	R1	R2	R3	R4	R4a	R5	R6	RR	GO	LC	RC	GC	LI	II	OS	Use Standard	CUP Decision
Recreation and entertainment, outdoor (see 151.270 (E) (4))	Racetrack, animal- <u>Entertainment-oriented</u> <u>Animal Exhibition</u> <u>Facility</u>																			§151.112(U00)	Co Bd

Amend 151.112/Use Standards to read as follows:

~~(U-00)~~ Entertainment-oriented Animal Exhibition Facility ~~Racetrack, animal~~ (recreation and entertainment, outdoor use category).

(1) This use category shall not include temporary animal shows for wildlife education or agricultural purposes, which are separately addressed in Section 151.114 of this Code.

(24) The use shall be subject to the site capacity calculation/site plan review procedures of § 151.070. Site capacity/site plan review shall be conducted concurrently with any required conditional use permit review.

(32) The site shall have a minimum area of at least 1020 acres.

(43) The exhibition area ~~racetrack~~ and all building, viewing areas, seating areas, and structures for housing animals shall be located no closer than 250 feet from any ~~ultimate~~ public road right-of-way or site boundary line.

(54) If night exhibitions are ~~being is~~ to be conducted, all parking areas and access ways shall be adequately lighted; provided that this lighting, as well as lighting for the exhibition area ~~racetrack~~, shall be shielded to prevent light and glare spillover to adjacent residential properties.

(65) All facilities for housing and maintaining animals ~~equine~~ shall comply with the following requirements:

(a) Applicable Lake County Health Department, state, and federal regulations. State and federal wildlife permits shall be also be obtained as required by law. An approval for the facilities from the Lake County Health Department must accompany an application for a conditional use permit; and

(b) A 100-foot wide area of vegetation cover, exclusive of pasture area, shall be maintained between any corral, unvegetated exercise area, manure pile, or application area and any surface water or well, in order to minimize runoff, prevent erosion, and promote quick nitrogen absorption.

(76) All facilities for housing and maintaining ~~other~~ animals shall meet the conditions specified in the conditional use permit.

(87) The following accessory uses may be permitted as incidental to and limited to patrons of the principal use:

(a) Refreshment stands or booths;

(b) Souvenir stands or booths;

~~(c) Wagering facilities;~~

~~(c)~~ Restaurants or lounges;

~~(d)~~ Playgrounds and day care facilities; and

~~(e)~~ Any other customary and incidental uses which may be deemed appropriate by ~~the Zoning Board of Appeals or~~ the County Board.

Amendment #2

Amend Table 151.114/Temporary Uses to read as follows:

151.114 TEMPORARY USES

	AG	RE	E	R1	R2	R3	R4	R4A	R5	R6	RR	GO	LC	RC	GC	LI	II	OS
Animal Show or animal exhibition (see § 151.114(e))	P	P	P								P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

Amend 151.114/Temporary Uses to read as follows:

(E) ~~Animal show or animal exhibition.~~ Animal shows ~~or animal exhibitions,~~ shall be allowed for special events for agricultural and wildlife education purposes, including but not limited to shows, exhibitions, and contests. The maximum length of such a permit shall be ten days, with no more than three permits for a total of no more than 20 days issued per zoning lot in any calendar year.

COMMENTARY: Private, non-public events on the sponsor’s property such as private educational activities are not considered animal shows.

(F) *Rodeo.*

(1) Rodeos shall be allowed when accessory to an approved agricultural exempt use and limited to specified hours and a maximum of seven days per calendar year per zoning lot.

(H) *Carnival or circus.*

(1) The maximum length of the permit shall be ten days and no more than one permit shall be issued per zoning lot in any calendar year.

(2) No structure or equipment shall be located within 200 feet of any (off-site) building used for residential purposes.

(3) Carnival or circus events may not use live animals in any manner.

Amendment #3

Amend Section 151.271/Terms Defined to read as follows:

WILDLIFE EDUCATION: Wildlife education is the process of influencing people's attitudes, emotions, knowledge, and behaviors about wildlife and wild places with the purpose of introducing people to wildlife, promoting awareness of biodiversity, and developing conservation-minded and sustainable behavior. This is done through the efforts of trained/skilled educators and interpreters, who use a variety of techniques, methods and assessments to impart information. Wildlife education is distinct from entertainment-oriented exhibitions in that its primary purpose is not to entertain but rather to provide a deeper understanding of and connection to wildlife. Wildlife education does not include the use of wildlife in performances that: (a) are foreign to their natural behavior (or otherwise not designed to simulate their natural interactions within their environment); (b) introduce painful physical restraint or deprivation inconsistent with practices employed by wildlife biologists, veterinarians or other licensed or trained wildlife caretakers; (c) force interactions with other wildlife contrary to normal conditions in the wild; or (d) otherwise unnecessarily induce significant stress, injury or illness to wildlife as a reasonably foreseeable consequence of the performance. Wildlife education includes, but is not limited to, events to provide the public with opportunities to experience wildlife directly and vicariously through outreach programs, on-site tours, demonstrations, and community events. Wildlife educational programming is typically, but not exclusively, provided by local government agencies, non-profit organizations that provide rehabilitation and release or sanctuary of animals, or trained professionals who are actively engaged in conservation and educational programs and possess the proper permits from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, or the U.S. Dept of Agriculture.

WILDLIFE: Any animal that is normally born in the wild and able to live on its own without human assistance, excluding livestock or animals considered to be domesticated.