



PETITION FOR THE KEEPING OF ANIMALS HOLLAND CHARTER TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The keeping as household pets of cats, dogs, household fish, household birds, hamsters and other animals generally regarded as household pets is expressly permitted as an accessory use; provided, however, that no more than four (4) adult dogs or cats or any combination thereof shall be kept or housed in or at one (1) dwelling unit. The keeping of more than the permitted number of animals or the keeping of any other animals, poultry, fish or reptiles in any zoning district except the Agricultural zone is prohibited except when authorized by the Zoning Board of Appeals.

A filing fee of \$400.00 must be submitted along with nine (9) complete copies of this application as well as any supplemental information that will be necessary to render a decision on this matter. The entire application and any supplementary information must also be submitted in electronic format on a CD or other file sharing device. Please do not bind this application or any other plans/documentation that are being submitted with this application (staples and clips are permitted if needed). This petition must be submitted four (4) weeks before the scheduled hearing date. Incomplete application will not be scheduled for a hearing.

You or your authorized agent must be present at the hearing to present your petition. You will be notified as to the date and time. Your neighbors within 300 feet will also be notified concerning your hearing.

Please print or Type:

Applicant's Name: _____ Phone: _____

Applicant's Address: _____

Property Address: _____

Parcel Number: 70-16- _____ Zoning District: _____

Property Owner's Name: _____ Phone: _____

Property Owner's Address: _____

Ordinance Section Number(s) Relative To This Appeal: _____

Provide a Brief Description of Your Request: _____

Following are the three (3) standards which the Zoning Board of Appeals must use in considering your variance request and a place for you to explain how you meet these standards. You may use additional sheets to answer in more detail, but you must answer all the questions.

1) The land area where such animals are to be housed. Describe the area used to house the animals, including the methods for providing water and feed as well as the materials and dimensions of items such as fencing, coops, or other accessory buildings.

2) The location of adjacent property. Describe the adjacent zoning districts surrounding your property (i.e. General Commercial, Single-family Residential, Agriculture, etc.) and provide a site plan drawn to scale indicating the distance from your animal area to the adjacent property uses (i.e. customer parking, residential home or deck, agricultural buildings, etc.)

3) Whether or not noise or odors are likely to adversely affect the use of adjoining properties or the surrounding neighborhood. Describe your methods of containing noise and odor, including the methods of disposal for bedding, feed, animal wastes, and carcasses.

Please note, in addition to any authorization by the board of appeals, the housing of nonhousehold pets in any zoning district except the A zoning district shall require a nontransferable permit to be issued by the zoning administrator for one (1) year when authorization is first granted with renewal annually thereafter. In granting such permit, or renewing the same, the zoning administrator shall determine whether or not the permit holder is in compliance with all requirements of this ordinance and any requirements, conditions, or restrictions established when initial authorization was granted.

Property Owners Certification

I hereby certify that I am the owner of the above-described property and have authorized the applicant to seek this variance on my behalf. I further understand that conditions and restrictions may be placed upon this property by the Holland Township Zoning Board of appeals and hereby agree to conform to and abide by any and all such conditions.

I further agree and authorize representatives from Holland Charter Township to enter my property in order to review the particulars of my request.

Property Owner's Signature: _____ Date: _____

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