



EXHIBIT A

ISSUE STATEMENT: PUBLIC HEARING AND POSSIBLE VOTE CONCERNING THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 117-99 OF THE NIXA CITY CODE RELATING TO PET GROOMING AND KENNELING BUSINESSES IN COMMERCIAL ZONED DISTRICTS

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SUBMITTED BY: PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

PRESENTED BY: PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Background

Nixa Planning & Development recently received an application for a pet grooming and kenneling business. During the review process staff found that Section 117-99 - Table of Approved Uses, as it was adopted in 1997, relating to pet grooming and kenneling appears to be erroneous.

Analysis

The Current code language makes Kenneling & Grooming uses two separate use categories, however in the definitions section they are combined as the same use. The zoning where each is allowable is identical, this amendment proposes to combine the two uses to match the definitions section. The Table of Approved Use differentiates between these services to be with and without outdoor runs, which staff feels is appropriate. However, in the actual table the uses are oddly listed (See table), which resulted in what we assume to be an error. The adopted table allows for kenneling and grooming with outdoor runs in certain zoning districts by right, but without outdoor runs requires a Special Use Permit (SUP) or is not allowable.

Staff examined ordinances from surrounding communities and found pet grooming and kenneling was generally an approved use in all commercial districts. Staff proposes to amend the Table of Approved Uses to allow this type of business as a right without the time and expense of acquiring a Special Use Permit in most cases. The exception being that outdoor runs in Neighborhood Commercial zoning would require a SUP. The amendment also proposes to remove this as an approved use in M-1 (light manufacturing) zoning districts. So the table would be amended as follows:



Section 117-99 – Table of Approved Uses.

Current Code

II. Business, Professional, & Personal Services

Use Description	NC	O	GC	HC	M-1	M-2
Kennels (Without Outdoor Runs)			X	X	X	
Kennels (With Outdoor Runs)	S		S	S	X	
Pet Grooming Services (With outdoor Runs)			X	X	X	
Pet Grooming Services (Without Outdoor Runs)	S		S	S	X	

Proposed Amendment

II. Business, Professional, & Personal Services

Use Description	NC	O	GC	HC	M-1	M-2
Pet Grooming/Kenneling (Without Outdoor Runs)	X		X	X		
Pet Grooming/Kenneling (With Outdoor Runs)	S		X	X		

Recommendation

This amendment would closely mirror the surrounding communities and help to expand locations where these types of businesses can operate without the extra time and cost of obtaining an SUP in most cases. Additionally, the amendment would serve to clarify and streamline adopted code language. Staff recommends approval of this code amendment.