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## County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2016 Legislative Session

Legislative day # 17

### **BILL NO. 71 – 2016 (ZRA – 167)**

**Introduced by:** The Chairperson at the request of Elisa Kamens

**AN ACT** amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations Conditional Use section to clarify that indoor noises at Pet Day Care Facilities Conditional Uses must not be detectible at the lot lines; and generally relating to Pet Day Care Facilities Conditional Uses.

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Introduced and read first time \_\_\_\_\_, 2016. Ordered posted and hearing scheduled.

By order \_\_\_\_\_  
Jessica Feldmark, Administrator

Having been posted and notice of time & place of hearing & title of Bill having been published according to Charter, the Bill was read for a second time at a public hearing on \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

By order \_\_\_\_\_  
Jessica Feldmark, Administrator

This Bill was read the third time on \_\_\_\_\_, 2016 and Passed \_\_\_\_, Passed with amendments \_\_\_\_\_, Failed \_\_\_\_\_.

By order \_\_\_\_\_  
Jessica Feldmark, Administrator

Sealed with the County Seal and presented to the County Executive for approval this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016 at \_\_\_\_ a.m./p.m.

By order \_\_\_\_\_  
Jessica Feldmark, Administrator

Approved/Vetoed by the County Executive \_\_\_\_\_, 2016

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Allan H. Kittleman, County Executive

NOTE: [[text in brackets]] indicates deletions from existing law; TEXT IN SMALL CAPITALS indicates additions to existing law; ~~Strike-out~~ indicates material deleted by amendment; Underlining indicates material added by amendment.

1 **Section 1. Be it enacted** by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland, that the Howard  
2 County Zoning Regulations are hereby amended as follows:

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4 *By Amending*

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6 *Section 131.0: “Conditional Uses”*

7 *Subsection N. “Conditional Uses and Permissible Zoning Districts”*

8 *Number 39. “Pet Day Care Facilities”*  
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## 12 **Howard County Zoning Regulations**

### 13 **SECTION 131.0: - Conditional Uses**

#### 14 **N. Conditional Uses and Permissible Zoning Districts**

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16 The Hearing Authority may grant Conditional Uses in the specified districts in accordance  
17 with the following minimum criteria.  
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#### 19 **39. Pet Day Care Facilities**

20 A Conditional Use may be granted in the RC, RR or R-20 Districts for pet day care  
21 facilities, provided that:  
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- 23 a. The minimum lot size shall be one acre.
- 24 b. All day care business functions must be completely enclosed within a  
25 building. INDOOR [[N]]Noise must not be perceptible at lot lines.
- 26 c. The Hearing Authority may set hours of operation and limitations on the  
27 number and type of pets cared for.
- 28 d. The facility shall not be located on a shared driveway.
- 29 e. Parking areas shall be located and landscaped to minimize visibility from  
30 roads and adjacent residential properties.  
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- f. There shall be no overnight boarding of pets.
  
- g. Outdoor areas for walking or exercising pets may be permitted provided that pets shall not be left unattended in such an area. The Hearing Authority may set a limit on the number of pets permitted simultaneously in the outdoor area. The perimeter of this outdoor area shall be fenced and landscaped to ensure that animals are confined to the property and to minimize the visibility of the enclosure. All fencing shall comply with all requirements for fences as noted elsewhere in Section 128.0. The petitioner must clearly delineate the outdoor area on the Conditional Use plan.
  
- h. Disposal of wastes must be such that odors or other emissions are not perceptible at lot lines.
  
- i. On an ALPP purchased or dedicated easement property, the following additional criteria are required:
  - (1) The use shall not interfere with farming operations or limit future farming production.
  - (2) Any new building or building addition associated with the use, including any outdoor storage and parking area shall count towards the cumulative use cap of 2% of the easement.

***Section 2. Be it further enacted*** by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland, that this Act shall become effective 61 days after its enactment.