

ORDINANCE NO. OR01-26

**AN ORDINANCE BY THE TROTWOOD CITY COUNCIL REPEALING CURRENT SECTION 505.17 “BARNYARD ANIMALS” OF THE TROTWOOD CODE OF ORDINANCES, AND ENACTING A NEW SECTION 505.17 “BARNYARD ANIMALS” TO ALLOW FOR BARNYARD ANIMALS IN DISTRICTS ZONED AGRICULTURAL (A) WITHIN THE CITY OF TROTWOOD.**

**WHEREAS**, the current Section 505.17 “Barnyard Animals” of the Trotwood Code of Ordinances does not permit barnyard animals of any kind within the City of Trotwood; and

**WHEREAS**, the keeping of barnyard animals is a traditional and customary agricultural activity that supports farming, local food production, and educational agricultural uses; and

**WHEREAS**, it would be beneficial to permit barnyard animals in districts zoned Agricultural (A) within the City of Trotwood to preserve and promote agricultural land uses, rural character, and farming practices essential to the community’s economic and environmental sustainability; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Manager recommends that Council repeal the current Section 505.17 “Barnyard Animals” of the Trotwood Codes of Ordinances and that a new Section 505.17 “Barnyard Animals” be enacted; and

**WHEREAS**, Council accepts the recommendation of the City Manager and, therefore, will repeal and replace Section 505.17 “Barnyard Animals” of the Trotwood Codes of Ordinances as set forth herein.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TROTWOOD, STATE OF OHIO:**

**SECTION I:** The current Section 505.17 “Barnyard Animals” of the Trotwood Code of Ordinances is hereby repealed in its entirety.

**SECTION II:** A new Section 505.17 “Barnyard Animals” is hereby enacted as set forth in Exhibit “A” attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, with additions in **bold** and underscored and deletions in ~~strikethrough~~.

**SECTION III:**

It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that any and all deliberations of this Council that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including but not limited to Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**SECTION IV:**

This Ordinance shall take effect at the earliest time allowed by law.


Passed this 5th day of January, 2026.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

  
KARA B. LANDIS  
CLERK OF COUNCIL

  
YVETTE F. PAGE  
MAYOR

  
TYNA R. BROWN  
VICE-MAYOR

**CERTIFICATE OF RECORDING OFFICER**

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. OR01-26 adopted by the Trotwood City Council at a regular scheduled meeting held on the 5th day of January, 2026, and that I am duly authorized to execute this certificate.

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

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CLERK OF COUNCIL

505.17 BARNYARD ANIMALS.

- (a) No person shall keep, ~~harbor or raise otherwise~~ possess any livestock or barnyard animals, including but not limited to ~~within the City any~~ horses, cows, swine, goats, and poultry, ~~within the City, or similar barnyard animals or livestock~~ **except in a district zoned A (Agricultural)**. ~~However, this section shall not apply to farm land which is annexed to the City until such land ceases to be used as a farm, or until the ownership thereof is transferred.~~
- (b) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor.