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To: Planning Board  
From: Rob Schommer, City Manager  
Date: June 26, 2025  
Subject: Staff Report for proposed amendment to Article 18 of the Bellbrook Zoning Code

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### Summary of the Request

City Council has spent several months researching and deliberating changes to the Bellbrook Zoning code regarding allowing and regulation of small livestock in residential zones. This need arises through a determination of some inconsistencies in regulations as well as methods to address concerns of residents. After staff research of multiple other communities Ordinances, City Council has created proposed changes to both the Zoning Code and Municipal Code.

The proposed amendments creates a classification and regulation of small livestock; however, the allowance and definition of what specific animals will be part of the Municipal Code by reference. Considering such, this proposed change does not create allowances for animal types, it merely created the classification, allowance and regulation within residential zones.

City Council voted to have the City Manager apply to the Planning Board and present the proposed changes to Article 18 of the Zoning Code for recommendation of approval. The changes to the Municipal Code are not part of this review and is determined directly by City Council.

### Applicant Information

City of Bellbrook

### Current Zoning District

Click or tap here to enter text.

### Parcel Identification

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### Additional Actions or Next Steps to be taken by the City

City Council will consider the recommendation and will begin the process of deliberation on an Ordinance.

### **Applicant's Reason for the Request**

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### **Surrounding Land Use within 1,000 Feet**

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### **Previous Related Development Decisions in the Immediate Area (3-5 Years)**

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### **Comprehensive Plan Applied to the Geographical Area**

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### **Existing Public Utilities**

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### **Soil Survey Data**

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### **Classification of Streets, Traffic Volumes & Direction, Planned Improvements**

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### **Flood Plain Information**

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### **Comments from City and County Agencies**

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### **Supporting Maps & Graphics**

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### **Staff Recommendation**

Considering this proposed change came through public deliberation and deliberation of City Council, staff recommends Planning Board approve the amendment.

