

# CLAY COUNTY, MINNESOTA

## ORDINANCE NO. 2017- 2

### AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF CLAY, STATE OF MINNESOTA AMENDING THE CLAY COUNTY CODE, TITLE 8, CHAPTER 6, RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL USES OF PROPERTY, SPECIFICALLY THOSE CONCERNING ANIMAL UNITS AS DEFINED BY THE CLAY COUNTY CODE.

**WHEREAS**, the County of Clay, State of Minnesota (“County”) is a statutory County duly organized and existing under Article XII of the Minnesota Constitution; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Minnesota Statute Chapter 394 and specifically § 394.21, the County has the power and authority to conduct and implement planning activities; and

**WHEREAS**, the County has, by ordinance, and pursuant to Minnesota Statute Chapter 394, adopted Title 8 of the Clay County Code regarding land use, zoning and development (“Development Code”);

**WHEREAS**, the County has undertaken a process to amend the Development Code provisions related to agricultural uses of property involving “animal units” and modify those provisions to correspond with an updated definition of “animal units” in the Clay County Code:

**WHEREAS**, the County hereby finds and determines that the proposed amendments are appropriate and necessary to the function and efficient operation of the County and to ensure the health, safety, morals, and general welfare of the County.

### **NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF CLAY, STATE OF MINNESOTA HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** Adopt the Development Code Amendments set forth within Exhibit A to Title 8 of the Clay County Code and Amendments to the Usage Table in Exhibit B. The County Hereby adopts the proposed amendments, attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibits A and B.

**Section 2.** Severability. If any portion of this Ordinance is found to be void or ineffective, it shall be deemed severed from this Ordinance and the remaining provisions shall remain valid and in full force and effect.

**Section 3. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become effective and be in force immediately upon final passage, consistent with Minnesota Statute § 375.51.

**ADOPTED BY THE CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

This 7<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2017.

  
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KEVIN CAMPBELL, CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:   
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BRIAN BERG, CLAY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR