## Zoning and Development Code Amendment Code of Ordinances, City of Round Rock

**DATE OF REVIEW:** August 20, 2025

**CODE REFERENCES:** 2-91 (oo) Veterinary clinic, small animals.

## STAFF REVIEW AND ANALYSIS:

<u>Background</u>: The City's Zoning and Development Code restricts the hours of operation in certain zoning districts for veterinary clinics. Currently, veterinary clinics are permitted in the C-2 (Local Commercial) zoning district with supplementary use standards. The supplementary use standard limits the hours of operation to regular service hours beginning at 7:00 am and ending at 9:00 pm.

<u>Proposed Revision</u>: Staff proposes amendments to Section 2-91 of the Zoning & Development Code to remove limitations on hours of operations for veterinary clinics in the C-2 (Local Commercial) zoning district to provide for 24-hour emergency veterinary clinics.

<u>Justification for Change</u>: The request for the proposed code amendment was initiated to allow an emergency veterinary clinic to operate a 24-hour service on a currently zoned C-2 property. Existing supplementary use standards in place would continue to limit outdoor kennels, thus minimizing any noise related impact on abutters. City staff is in support of the amendment since emergency veterinary clinics serve local neighborhoods.

## **RECOMMENDED MOTION:**

Staff recommends approval of the code amendment.