## CITY OF LAKE ELMO WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA

## ORDINANCE NO. 9763 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 300.13 SUBD. 15, D&E OF THE LAKE ELMO MUNICIPAL CODE

**Section 1. Amendment:** Section 300.13 Subd. 15, D & E are hereby amended to include the following, to wit:

## Subd. 15 Livestock:

- D. <u>Hazards and Nuisances</u>. On parcels of less than forty (40) acres which are not part of a larger crop producing commercial agricultural farm, the keeping of horses, cattle, or other grazing animals on a site with less than two (2) acres of existing grazable land per animal is, by this section, declared to be a nuisance. Horses may be kept on any parcel 5 acres or larger. No other domestic farm animals, livestock, or commercial kennels shall be placed on any site of less than ten (10) acres.
- E. Grazable Acres. Grazable acreage shall be defined as open, non-treed acreage exclusive of the homesite and yard that is currently providing enough pasture or other agricultural crops capable of supporting summer grazing at a density of one (1) cow, or its equivalent, per two (2) acres. Grazable acreage shall not include non-jurisdictional wetlands or slopes over twelve percent (12%). For purposes of these regulations, the following animal equivalents apply: one slaughter steer, heifer or horse 1.0; one mature dairy cow 1.4; one swine over 55 pounds .4; one sheep .1; one turkey .01; one chicken .01; one duck .02. For all other animals, the number of animal units shall be defined as the average weight of the animal divided by 1000 pounds.

<u>Section 2. Adoption</u>: This ordinance shall become effective upon its passage and publication according to law.

**ADOPTED**, by the City Council the 19<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2000.

Lee Hunt, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mary Kueffner, City Administrator

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