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**THE CITY OF ASSUMPTION**

CHRISTIAN COUNTY, ILLINOIS

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**WHEREAS**, the City of Assumption, Christian County, State of Illinois (“City”), is a duly organized and existing City created and operating under the provisions of the Illinois Municipal Code and laws of the State of Illinois; and,

**WHEREAS**, 65 ILCS 5/11-13-14 provides that a municipality may amend its Zoning ordinances provided that a hearing be held before some commission or committee designated by the corporate authorities with notice being published not more than 30 nor less than 15 days before the hearing; and,

**WHEREAS**, Title 10, Chapter 4 of the City Code of Ordinances of the City of Assumption (hereinafter the “City Code”) contains the description of zoning districts and of authorized and permitted uses within each zoning district applicable throughout the City; and,

**WHEREAS**, Title 10, Chapter 4, Section 2.A of the City Code (hereinafter Section 10-4-2.A) sets forth the permitted uses for districts identified as C-1, General Retail District; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City Council and the Mayor have considered that the uses permitted in the C-1 zoning district established in Section 10-4-2.A can include animal pounds, kennels, veterinary establishments and similar uses as permitted uses consistent with the overall goals and purposes of the establishment and designation of zoning districts within the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City wishes to amend its City Code to provide that animal pounds, kennels, veterinary establishments and similar uses be permitted in the C-1 zoning classification as set forth in Title 10, Chapter 4, Section 2.A of the City Code; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has designated itself to be the committee authorized to conduct the hearing on changes to the City Zoning Code; and

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing was noticed by publication in the Golden Prairie News and was duly held by the City Council on August 6, 2025, prior to the scheduled City Council meeting held that day; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council and the Mayor of the City of Assumption, following the required hearing, believe it is in the best interests of the City to amend the City Zoning Code pertaining to the uses to be permitted within the City's C-1 zoning districts..

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Assumption City Council, Christian County, Illinois, as follows:

**Section 1.     Recitals.** The above recitals are incorporated herein by this reference.

**Section 2.     Amending the City Code.** Section 10-4-2.A of the City Code is hereby amended as follows (added; ~~deleted~~):

10-4-2: USES PERMITTED:

A. C-1 General Retail District: The following are the uses permitted in the C-1 General Retail District:

Any use permitted in a residential district.

Major retail outlet, furniture, department, clothing, shoe and variety stores, hardware, appliance, paint and wallpaper stores.

Food, drugs and beverage: grocery stores, supermarkets, meat markets, drugstores, bakery in conjunction with retail sales, restaurants, tea rooms, but taverns and liquor stores only within the fire zone district.

Specialty shops: gift shops, magazine, book and stationery outlets, florist shops, camera and photography shops, sporting goods.



Service and recreation: laundromat, dry cleaning and laundry pickup stations, barbershops and beauty shops, shoe repair and tailor shops, mortuaries, newspapers, printing shops, places of amusement and assembly.

Business and professional offices: medical and dental offices and clinics, law offices, insurance and real estate offices, banks, finance and utility companies.

Automotive and related uses: new and used car sales, service and repair, gasoline filling stations, motorcycle and bicycle shops, cab and bus stands, and depots.

Accessory uses or buildings.

Motels and hotels.

Animal pounds, kennels, and veterinary establishments and similar uses.

**Section 3. Severability.** In the event a court of competent jurisdiction finds this ordinance or any provision hereof to be invalid or unenforceable as applied, such finding shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions of this ordinance and the application thereof to the greatest extent permitted by law.

**Section 4. Repeal and Savings Clause.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed; provided, however, that nothing herein shall affect any rights or causes of action which shall have accrued to the City prior to the effective date of this ordinance.

**Section 5. Effectiveness.** This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after passage, approval and publication in pamphlet form as provided by law.

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SO ORDAINED this 7<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2025 at the City of  
Assumption, Christian County, Illinois.

	YES	NO	ABSENT	PRESENT
BRADSHAW	✓			
NELSEN	✓			
PALMER		✓		
PORTER		✓		
SULLIVAN	✓			
WALDEN	✓			
HERBORD				
TOTAL	4	2	Ø	Ø

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William Herbord  
WILLIAM HERBORD, Mayor

Attest: Janet Waller  
JANET WALLER, City Clerk