

LOCAL LAW NO. 1 FOR THE YEAR 2024

**A LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 285 OF THE  
CODE OF THE CITY OF COHOES REGARDING ZONING  
AND LAND USE**

WHEREAS, the City of Cohoes local code contains a Chapter entitled “Zoning and Land Use;” and

WHEREAS, the Common Council would like to amend Chapter 285 and add sections regarding farm animals and pigeons; and

WHEREAS, a Notice of Public Hearing was duly published and a public hearing held regarding the proposed amendments to Chapter 285 on April 23, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at the Common Council Chambers,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED by the Common Council of the City of Cohoes as follows:

Section 1. The Code of the City of Cohoes, Chapter 285, is hereby amended to add Chapter 285, Section 55.3, to read as follows:

§ 285-55.3 Keeping of Farm Animals.

Farm animals may only be kept, maintained, raised or harbored in a Land Conservation District. It shall be unlawful for any person to keep, maintain, raise, or harbor any farm animal within the City of Cohoes on less than one (1) acre of land. Farm animals shall include, but are not limited to: cows, cattle, horses, ponies, donkeys, mules, pigs, hogs, goats, sheep, ducks, geese, lamas, alpacas, emus and ostriches and other animals usually known as farm animals. Farm animals shall not include pot-bellied pigs that are housed solely within a dwelling as defined in § 285-5. Structures to house such farm animals shall comply with all existing setbacks. Farm animals must always be kept in a neat and sanitary condition and any structure housing farm animals must be cleaned on a regular basis to prevent offensive odors and unsanitary conditions.

Section 2. The Code of the City of Cohoes, Chapter 285, is hereby amended to add Chapter 285, Section 55.4, to read as follows:

§285-55.4 Pigeons.

It shall be unlawful for any person to keep, maintain, raise, or harbor any pigeon within the City of Cohoes.

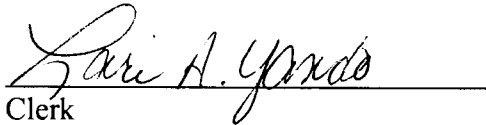
Section 3. This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

Approved as to form this 23 day of April, 2024.

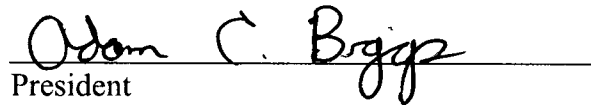


Brian S. Kremer  
Corporation Counsel

Engrossed and signed by the President of the Common Council and attested by the Clerk of the Common Council this 23 day of April 2024.

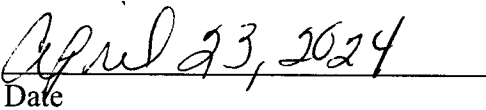


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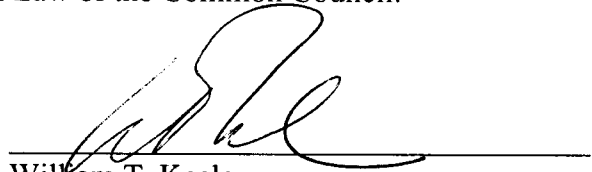


President

I hereby approve the foregoing Local Law of the Common Council.



Date



William T. Keeler  
Mayor of the City of Cohoes, New York