



# Town Council Agenda Report

**SUBJECT:** Discussion Item

**CONTACT PERSON/NUMBER**

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**TITLE OF AGENDA ITEM:**

Request for authorization to consider amending Code Chapter 4, Article II, Wild Animals.

**REPORT IN BRIEF:**

The Planning and Zoning Board (PZB) has initiated a recommendation that the Town Council amend the Code to require a special permit for the keeping of wild animals within the Town, particularly in residential areas. Staff is relaying this recommendation to the Council, and requesting Council direction.

The Board's intent is to provide residents notice and an opportunity to be heard when a neighbor proposes to keep a wild animal. The PZB recommendation resulted from a recent variance request by a single-family home owner to increase the height of a fence above that permitted by code to comply with the terms of a State of Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission license for the keeping of all wild animals, as defined by the Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission. The Board's recommendation is not intended to place limits on the types of animals currently permitted within the Town, nor to contradict the parameters of the State Licensing Regulations.

**PREVIOUS ACTIONS:** None.

**CONCURRENCES:** This Planning and Zoning Board requested the above-referenced code amendment in response to a recent variance request .

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Not Applicable.

**RECOMMENDATION(S):** Motion to approve.

**Attachment(s):** None.