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DATE: May 5, 2025

TO: Nick Sugar, City Planner

FROM: Shawn Kasson, Fire Marshal SK

SUBJECT: Veterinary Center of Hudson – 1556 West Prospect Street

I have reviewed the site plan set dated 04/21/25 for the proposed Veterinary Center of Hudson boarding and grooming facility at 1556 West Prospect Street for conditional use approval. Upon review I have the following comments:

- A fire apparatus access road must extend to within 150 feet of all portions of the building.
- The 2017 Ohio Fire Code Section 507.5.1 requires that "*Where a portion of the facility or building hereafter constructed or moved into or within the jurisdiction is more than 400' from a hydrant on a fire apparatus access road, as measured by an approved route around the exterior of the facility or building, on-site fire hydrants and mains shall be provided where required by the fire code official.*" One of the following two options must be selected to address this requirement:
    - Extend water service to the site and install a fire hydrant in an approved location.
    - Install an approved fire detection and alarm system to protect the building with the following features:
        - Automatic fire detection throughout the entire building.
        - Manual fire alarm pull stations at all designated exits within the building.
        - Audio-visual notification appliances throughout the entire building.
        - UL Listed central station monitoring.
        - Compliant with all pertinent requirements of the 2017 Ohio Fire Code.
        - Compliant with all pertinent requirements of 2016 NFPA 72, the National Fire Alarm and Signaling Code.
- A Knox Box must be furnished and installed in an approved location.

Note: The scope of this review is preliminary and limited conditional use approval. The applicant must submit detailed design plans for review and final approval.

Please contact me with any questions.