Effective Date: May 29, 2014

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AN ORDINANCE

Amending Portions of the Zoning Ordinance to Create the "Aquaponics" Use

WHEREAS, on April 9, 2014, the Plan Commission held a public hearing, pursuant to proper notice, regarding case no. 14PLND-0020 to consider various amendments to the text of Title 6 of the Evanston City Code of 2012, as amended (the "Zoning Ordinance"), relating to the creation of the Use known as "Aguaponics:" and

WHEREAS, the Plan Commission received testimony and made written findings pursuant to Section 6-3-4-5 of the Zoning Ordinance that the proposed amendments met the standards for text amendments, and recommended City Council approval thereof; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting of May 12, 2014, the Planning and Development Committee of the City Council considered and adopted the findings and recommendation of the Plan Commission in case no. 14PLND-0020 and recommended City Council approval thereof; and

WHEREAS, at its meetings of May 12, 2014 and May 27, 2014, the City Council considered and adopted the records and recommendations of the Plan Commission and the Planning and Development Committee,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EVANSTON, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, THAT:

SECTION 1: The foregoing recitals are hereby found as fact and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2: Section 6-18-3 of the Zoning Ordinance, "Definitions," is hereby amended to include the following:

AQUAPONICS: The symbiotic propagation of plants and fish in an indoor or outdoor re-circulating environment that results in the harvest of said plants or fish.

SECTION 3: Subsection 6-9-2-3 of the Zoning Ordinance, "Special Uses" in the B1 Business District, is hereby amended to include "Aquaponics."

SECTION 4: Subsection 6-9-3-3 of the Zoning Ordinance, "Special Uses" in the B2 Business District, is hereby amended to include "Aquaponics."

SECTION 5: Subsection 6-9-4-3 of the Zoning Ordinance, "Special Uses" in the B3 Business District, is hereby amended to include "Aquaponics."

SECTION 6: Subsection 6-9-5-3 of the Zoning Ordinance, "Special Uses" in the B1a Business District, is hereby amended to include "Aquaponics."

SECTION 7: Subsection 6-10-2-3 of the Zoning Ordinance, "Special Uses" in the C1 Commercial District, is hereby amended to include "Aquaponics."

SECTION 8: Subsection 6-10-3-3 of the Zoning Ordinance, "Special Uses" in the C1a Commercial District, is hereby amended to include "Aquaponics."

SECTION 9: Subsection 6-10-4-3 of the Zoning Ordinance, "Special Uses" in the C2 Commercial District, is hereby amended to include "Aquaponics."

SECTION 10: Subsection 6-13-2-3 of the Zoning Ordinance, "Special Uses" in the MU Transitional Manufacturing District, is hereby amended to include "Aquaponics."

SECTION 11: Subsection 6-13-3-3 of the Zoning Ordinance, "Special Uses" in the MUE Transitional Manufacturing District, is hereby amended to include "Aquaponics."

SECTION 12: Subsection 6-13-4-3 of the Zoning Ordinance, "Special Uses" in the MXE Mixed Use Employment District, is hereby amended to include "Aquaponics."

SECTION 13: Subsection 6-14-2-3 of the Zoning Ordinance, "Special Uses" in the I1 Industrial District, is hereby amended to include "Aquaponics."

SECTION 14: Subsection 6-14-3-3 of the Zoning Ordinance, "Special Uses" in the I2 Industrial District, is hereby amended to include "Aquaponics."

SECTION 15: Subsection 6-14-4-3 of the Zoning Ordinance, "Special Uses" in the I3 Industrial District, is hereby amended to include "Aquaponics."

SECTION 16: The findings and recitals contained herein are declared to be prima facie evidence of the law of the City and shall be received in evidence as provided by the Illinois Compiled Statutes and the courts of the State of Illinois.

SECTION 17: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 18: If any provision of this ordinance or application thereof to any person or circumstance is held unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid application or provision, and each invalid provision or invalid application of this ordinance is severable.

SECTION 19: This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication in the manner provided by law.

Introduced: May 13 , 2014

Adopted: May 27, 2014

Approved:

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Elizabeth B. Tisdahl, Mayor

Attest:

Rodney Greene, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

W. Grant Farrar, Corporation Counsel