

“Why did you do all this for me?” he asked. “I don’t deserve it. I’ve never done anything for you.”
“You have been my friend,” replied Charlotte. “That in itself is a tremendous thing.””

--Charlotte's Web



CERTIFICATE *of* REGISTRATION

Fern

IS RECOGNIZED AS A REGISTERED PET BY
THE AMERICAN MINI PIG ASSOCIATION

DATE OF BIRTH: 10/12/2014

SEX: Female

HEIGHT: 14"

LENGTH: 24"

COLOR: Pink

SPAYED/NEUTERED: Yes

BREED: American Mini Pig

MARKINGS: Black spots on face, back and rump

PERMANENT IDENTIFICATION:

BREEDER NAME:

BREEDER AMPA #:

AMPA LITTER #:

SOW/MOTHER'S NAME:

SOW/MOTHER'S AMPA #:

BOAR/FATHER'S NAME:

BOAR/FATHER'S AMPA#:

OWNER'S NAME: Dana Barkley

CITY/STATE: Jonesboro, AR

AMPA#: AMPA043OA

CERTIFICATE ISSUED: 08/08/2016



CERTIFICATE *of* REGISTRATION

Wilbur

IS RECOGNIZED AS A REGISTERED PET BY
THE AMERICAN MINI PIG ASSOCIATION

DATE OF BIRTH: 08/11/2011

SEX: Male

HEIGHT: 22" LENGTH: 31"

COLOR: Black

SPAYED/NEUTERED: Yes

BREED: American Mini Pig

MARKINGS: Solid

PERMANENT IDENTIFICATION:

BREEDER NAME:

BREEDER AMPA #:

AMPA LITTER #:

SOW/MOTHER'S NAME:

SOW/MOTHER'S AMPA #:

BOAR/FATHER'S NAME:

BOAR/FATHER'S AMPA#:

OWNER'S NAME: Dana Barkley

CITY/STATE: Jonesboro, AR

AMPA#: AMPA0420A

CERTIFICATE ISSUED: 08/08/2016





City of Jonesboro

300 S. Church Street
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Signature Copy

Ordinance: 952

File Number: ORD-58:1783

Enactment Number: 952

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE KEEPING OF ANIMALS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS (NOTE: THIS ORDINANCE WAS AMENDED BY ORD-82:1827 ON JUNE 21, 1982)

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas:

ARTICLE I - GENERAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 1: CRUELTY. No person shall cruelly treat any animal within the City of Jonesboro in any way; any person who inhumanely beats, underfeeds, overloads, or abandons any animal shall be deemed guilty of a violation of this section and shall be punished as hereinafter provided.

SECTION 2: DANGEROUS ANIMALS. It shall be unlawful to permit any dangerous animal or vicious animal of any kind to run at large within the city; exhibitions or parades of animals which are of feared nature in the eyes of the law may be conducted only upon securing a permit from Chief of Police.

SECTION 3: NOISES. It shall be unlawful to harbor or keep any animals which disturb the peace and quiet by loud, unusual or obnoxious noises at any time of the day or night.

SECTION 4: STRAYS. It shall be unlawful to permit any cattle, horses, swine, sheep, goats, or poultry, or any other animals of like kind, to run at large in the city. It shall further be unlawful to picket or tie any such animal in any of the streets or street right-of-ways of the City of Jonesboro for the purpose of grazing or feeding same. The owner of any such animal running at large or so picketed or tied shall be deemed guilty of a violation of this section and subject to fine as hereinafter provided.

SECTION 5: KILLING DANGEROUS ANIMALS. The members of the Police Department or any other person in the City of Jonesboro are authorized to kill any dangerous animal of any kind when it is necessary for the protection of any person or property.

SECTION 6: DISEASED ANIMALS. No domestic animal afflicted with a contagious or infectious disease shall be allowed to run at large, or to be exposed in any public place whenever the health of man or beast may be effected; or shall such diseased animal be shipped or removed from the premises of the owner thereof, except under the supervision of the Chief of Police, Health Officer, or City Health Inspector.

It is hereby made the duty of the Health Officer to secure such disposition of any diseased animal and such treatment of affected premises as to prevent the communication and spread of the

contagion or infection, except in cases where the State or City Veterinarian is empowered to act.

SECTION 7: HOUSING. No person shall cause or allow any stable or place where any animal is or may be kept to become unclean, or unwholesome, and it shall be unlawful to keep any live swine or pigs within the corporate limits of the City of Jonesboro.

ARTICLE II - DOGS

SECTION 1: LICENSE REQUIRED. No dog shall be permitted to be or remain in the City of Jonesboro without first being licensed as hereinafter provided.

SECTION 2: LICENSE FEES. All dogs immediately upon becoming three months of age shall be registered with the City Collector as to sex, breed, name and address of the owner and name of dog. All older dogs kept in the City of Jonesboro shall be registered with the City Collector each year from January 1st through February 16th. At the time of such registration such owner shall obtain a license for such dog and shall pay to the City Collector a fee of \$2.00 for each dog. At the time of such registration such owner shall present satisfactory evidence by exhibiting to the City Collector a valid certificate and metal tax showing that such dog has been duly vaccinated for rabies for the year for which such license is to be issued. The license for such dog shall be good from January 1st to the 31st day of December for the years in which same shall be issued. It shall be the duty of said owner to cause such license tag to be securely attached around the dog's neck and kept there at all times during the license period.

SECTION 3: VACCINATION REQUIRED. All dogs from two months of age kept in the City of Jonesboro shall be vaccinated at least once a year against rabies, and it is made the duty of all owners of dogs, or persons having the possession or control of dogs within the city to have such animals vaccinated with vaccine against rabies in an amount, quantity and quality to be approved by the State Veterinarian. It shall be the duty of said owner or person having the control of said dog to cause such metal vaccination tag to be securely attached around the dog's neck and kept there at all times.

SECTION 4: DANGEROUS DOGS. No vicious, dangerous, ferocious or dog sick with or liable to communicate rabies or other contagious or infectious diseases shall be permitted to run at large in the city.

SECTION 5: RUNNING AT LARGE. No dog shall be permitted to run at large within the corporate limits of the City of Jonesboro between the first day of April and the first day of May of each year, and further between the first day of September and the first day of October of each year, and no vicious, dangerous or ferocious dog or female dog in season (in heat) shall be permitted to run at large at any time.

SECTION 6: DISTURBING THE PEACE. No person owning any dog or person having control of any dog shall suffer or permit such dog to disturb the peace and quiet of the neighborhood by barking, making other loud or unusual noises, or by running through or across cultivated gardens.

SECTION 7: NUISANCES. Any dog found in the city either without a license or without being vaccinated or running at large under conditions set forth above is hereby declared to be a nuisance

and shall be impounded as hereinafter provided.

SECTION 8: DUTIES OF POUNDKEEPER. The pound-keeper is hereby charged with the duty of impounding all dogs running at large in violation of the provisions of this article, or without a license or being vaccinated as herein provided.

SECTION 9: FEES FOR IMPOUNDING AND KEEPING. The fees and charges for the taking up, pounding, and keeping and disposing of impounded animals are hereby fixed as follows: \$1.00 for the picking up and impounding of said animal; and in addition thereto a fee or charge of \$1.00 for each day, or portion of a day, that said animal is impounded. The fees or charges herein fixed shall be in addition to any fine or bond forfeiture in lieu of fine which may be assessed against the owner of such animal for violation of any provision or provisions of this ordinance.

SECTION 10: DOGS IMPOUNDED - HOW REDEEMED. The owner of any dogs impounded hereunder may redeem the same by paying all of the costs, charges and penalties assessed, if any, that have accrued up to the time of making the redemption, and shall pay the license fee and have such dog vaccinated as herein required, if said dog has not already been licensed and vaccinated, and when the same are paid to said pound-keeper it shall be his duty, and he shall release the dog from said pound and deliver him to the owner thereof.

SECTION 11: PUBLIC NOTICE. Immediately after impounding any dog hereunder, it shall be the duty of the pound-keeper to enter upon the records of the pound in a book, to be kept by him for such purpose, the date of impounding, a description of the dog impounded, and a record as to whether or not such dog has been licensed and tagged as required by the ordinances of said city. Said pound book shall be open to the public of the inspection of any interested party.

SECTION 12: DOGS DESTROYED IF NOT REDEEMED. Any dog which is impounded and not redeemed by the owner thereof within 72 hours after impounding of such dog shall be and he is hereby declared to be a public nuisance. The pound-keeper shall immediately there after kill or destroy such dog.

SECTION 13: LICENSED DOGS IMPOUNDED. It shall be the duty of the pound-keeper to mail a postcard or letter in the regular mail giving notice to the registered owner of any licensed dog impounded under the provisions of this article. Any licensed dog shall not be killed or destroyed as provided hereinabove until 4 days after the mailing of such notice to the registered owner at the address given at the time such dog was registered.

SECTION 14: DOG BITES. Whatever any dog bites a person, such person and the owner of said dog shall immediately notify the Chief of Police who shall order the dog held on the owner's premises or shall have it impounded for a period of two weeks at the expense of the owner. The dog shall be examined immediately after it has bitten anyone and again at the end of the two week period. It shall be the duty of said owner to cause a licensed veterinarian to examine said dog at the time of the bite and again at the end of the two week period, and if at the end of said two weeks such veterinarian is convinced that the dog is then free from rabies the dog shall be released from quarantine or from the pound as the case may be. If the dog dies in the meanwhile its head shall be sent to the State Board of Health for examination for rabies, the expense of sending said head to State Board of Health to be paid by owner where known.

SECTION 15: PENALTY. Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance, either Article 1 or 11, shall be fined in any sum not to exceed \$100.00 for each offense; and a separate offense shall be deemed committed on each day during or on which a violation occurs or continues.

SECTION 16: This ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 17th day of March 1958.

Chapter 10 ANIMALS*

***State law references:** Authority to legislate on matters pertaining to municipal affairs A.C.A. § 14-63-601 et seq.; general authority to regulate animals, A.C.A. § 14-54-1101 et seq.

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ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL

Sec. 10-1. Cruelty. [Top](#)

No person shall cruelly treat any animal within the city in any way. Any person who inhumanely beats, underfeeds, overloads or abandons any animal shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

(Code 2006, § 6.04.01; Ord. No. 952, art. 1, § 1)

State law references: Similar provisions, A.C.A. § 5-62-101.

Sec. 10-2. Dangerous animal at large prohibited; permit required to exhibit.

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It shall be unlawful to permit any dangerous animal or vicious animal of any kind to run at large within the city. Exhibitions or parading of animals which are *ferae naturae* in the eyes of the law may be conducted only upon securing a permit from the chief of police.

(Code 2006, § 6.04.02; Ord. No. 952, art. 1, § 2)

Sec. 10-3. Killing dangerous animals. [Top](#)

The members of the police department and any other person in the city are authorized to kill any dangerous animal of any kind when it is necessary for the protection of any person or property.

(Code 2006, § 6.04.03; Ord. No. 952, art. 1, § 5)

Sec. 10-4. Noises. [Top](#)

It shall be unlawful to harbor or keep any animal or fowl which disturbs the peace and quiet by loud, unusual or obnoxious noises at any time of the day or night.

(Code 2006, § 6.04.04; Ord. No. 952, art. 1, § 3)

Sec. 10-5. Running at large. [Top](#)

It shall be unlawful to permit any cattle, horses, swine, sheep, goats or poultry or any other animals of like kind to run at large in the city. It shall further be unlawful to picket or tie any such animal in any of the streets or street rights-of-way of the city for the purpose of grazing or feeding same. The owner of any such animal running at large or so picketed or tied shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

(Code 2006, § 6.04.05; Ord. No. 952, art. 1, § 4)

Sec. 10-6. Diseased animals. [Top](#)

(a) No domestic animal afflicted with a contagious or infectious disease shall be allowed to run at large or to be exposed to any public place wherever the health of man or beast may be affected, nor shall such diseased animal be shipped or removed from the premises of the owner thereof, except under the supervision of the animal control officer.

(b) It is hereby made the duty of the animal control officer to secure such disposition of any diseased animal and such treatment of affected premises as to prevent the communication and spread of the contagious or infection, except in cases where the state or city veterinarian is empowered to act.

(Code 2006, § 6.04.06; Ord. No. 2769, § A)

Sec. 10-7. Keeping of swine. [Top](#)

It shall be unlawful to keep any live swine within the corporate limits of the city.

(Code 2006, § 6.04.07; Ord. No. 952, art. 1, § 7)

Sec. 10-8. Stables, etc., to be kept clean. [Top](#)

No person shall cause or allow any stable or place where any animal is or may be kept to become unclean or unwholesome.

(Code 2006, § 6.04.08; Ord. No. 952, art. 1, § 6)

Sec. 10-9. Interfering, tampering, etc., with city kennel. [Top](#)

It shall be unlawful for any person excepting the kennel keeper and persons authorized by him to open the gate of the city kennel, or to break the lock thereon or to break down, injure, remove, deface or destroy the fence or gate enclosing the kennel, or any part thereof or to liberate in any manner any animals placed in the kennel.

(Digest 1934, § 5809; Code 2006, § 6.04.09)

Sec. 10-10. Limitations and restrictions on keeping of domestic animals and/or fowl.

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(a) *Definitions.* The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this section, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this subsection, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Owner means every person, firm, corporation, association or household, when the parties reside on the same property, keeping or harboring a domestic animal and/or fowl within the corporate limits of the city.

Definitions:

1. **Swine** is defined as "a pig, esp. when raised for food" by the Cambridge Dictionary.Org.
2. **Pet** is defined as a: a pampered and usually spoiled child b: a person who is treated with unusual kindness or consideration OR a domesticated animal kept for pleasure rather than utility by merriam-webster.com
Neither of my potbelly pigs are being raised for food they are kept solely as pets.
3. **Livestock** is defined as "all farm-raised animals, including embryos of such animals". This definition was introduced in the Animal Health Protection Act (H.R. 4801 (106th) June 29, 2000.
4. **Livestock** is defined as cattle, horses, poultry, and similar animals kept for domestic use but not as pets, especially on a farm or ranch by the Collins English Dictionary 12th Edition 2014.
My potbelly pigs are domesticated and both live inside of my home as family pets. They are kennel trained, as well as, house trained, just as my dogs.
5. **Farm Animal** is defined as any animal kept for use of profit based on WordNet 3.0.
6. **Domestic Animal** is defined as an animal of a species of vertebrates that has been domesticated by humans so as to live and breed in a tame condition and depend on humankind for survival by Duhaime's Law Dictionary.
My potbelly pigs are dependent upon myself and family for their daily needs to survive. I fear that if they are separated from the only home and family they have ever known they will grieve themselves to death!



FEDERAL DEFINITIONS

-U.S. Code Title 7 § 8302 states "The term "livestock" means all farm-raised animals." -Title 9 of the Code of Federal Regulations defines:

"Farm animal means any domestic species of cattle, sheep, swine, goats, llamas, or horses, which are normally and have historically, been kept and raised on farms in the United States, and used or intended for use as food or fiber, or for improving animal nutrition, breeding, management, or production efficiency, or for improving the quality of food or fiber. This term also includes animals such as rabbits, mink, and chinchilla, when they are used solely for purposes of meat or fur, and animals such as horses and llamas when used solely as work and pack animals."

"Pet animal means any animal that has commonly been kept as a pet in family households in the United States, such as dogs, cats, guinea pigs, rabbits, and hamsters. This term excludes exotic animals and wild animals."

"Exotic animal means any animal not identified in the definition of "animal" provided in this part that is native to a foreign country or of foreign origin or character, is not native to the United States, or was introduced from abroad. This term specifically includes animals such as, but not limited to, lions, tigers, leopards, elephants, camels, antelope, anteaters, kangaroos, and water buffalo, and species of foreign domestic cattle, such as Ankole, Gayal, and Yak."

"Wild animal means any animal which is now or historically has been found in the wild, or in the wild state, within the boundaries of the United States, its territories, or possessions. This term includes, but is not limited to, animals such as: Deer, skunk, opossum, raccoon, mink, armadillo, coyote, squirrel, fox, wolf.

****Wild state** means living in its original, natural condition; not domesticated.

"Retail pet store means a place of business or residence at which the seller, buyer, and the animal available for sale are physically present so that every buyer may personally observe the animal prior to purchasing and/or taking custody of that animal after purchase, and where only the following animals are sold or offered for sale, at retail, for use as pets: Dogs, cats, rabbits, guinea pigs, hamsters, gerbils, rats, mice, gophers, chinchillas, domestic ferrets, domestic farm animals, birds, and coldblooded species."

-USDA Animal Welfare Act & Animal Welfare Regulations defines same as Code of Federal Regulations.

Comparison of the Farm Pig & Potbelly Pig

Farm Pigs



Farm Pigs are raised for food or profit.



- Farm Pigs are dirty.
- Farm Pigs are HUGE.
- Farm Pigs stink.

Micro pig size comparison guide

"Big Bill" holds the record for being the World's largest pig. He was 5ft tall, 9ft long and weighed in at 2552 lbs

Farm pigs regularly grow to over 6ft in length, weighing over 700lbs

The world's smallest "breed" of pig is the Mini-Kuroi, growing to 30" in height and weighing 200lbs

Micro - Mini - Tea Cup

Photo, Mini or Tea Cup are are media created names for Miniature pigs. These mixed breeds were originally bred down in size for medical research to be much smaller than any other breed of pig. Adult heights range from 12" - 20"



Potbelly Pigs



Fem ready for her shower.



Wilbur helping the nursing staff @ NEA raise money for a prayer bench.



Fem cuddled up with Luke for a nap.



Fem loves Maggie. Wilbur relaxing in the tub & did someone say popcorn!!!

Craighead County 4-H

From: Branon Thiesse
Sent: Friday, August 5, 2016 11:41 AM
To: Danna Barkley
Subject: Re: Potbelly Pig Classification

I talked to our 4-H livestock person and they are classified as domestic swine. They are normally raised as pets and not as much for slaughter.

Sent from my iPhone
Branon Thiesse
CEA-Staff Chair
[870-931-8660](tel:870-931-8660) mobile
[870-933-4565](tel:870-933-4565) office
bthiesse@uaex.edu

On Aug 3, 2016, at 11:29 PM, Danna Barkley <barkleydanna@gmail.com> wrote:

To Whom it may concern:

I am writing in regards to how the 4-H Cooperative of Craighead County classifies potbelly pigs. Do you recognize these pigs as domestic animals since they are often kept as pets and adapt well to the human environment, even go so far as to living indoors?

Thank you in advance for your prompt response.

Danna Barkley

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

National Pork Board

From: Sherrie Webb
Sent: Friday, August 5, 2016 9:49 AM
To: barkleydanna@gmail.com
Subject: RE: New submission from Contact Form

Good morning Danna,

Only pigs sold into the food chain are subject to assessment under the Pork Promotion, Research and Consumer Information Act. Therefore potbelly pigs sold for pets and research are not subject to the Checkoff assessment.

Thank you for your inquiry.

Kind regards,
Sherrie

Sherrie Webb
Director, Animal Welfare
National Pork Board
Email: swebb@pork.org
Phone: [515-223-3533](tel:515-223-3533)
Fax: [515-223-2646](tel:515-223-2646)

From: noreply@pork.org [<mailto:noreply@pork.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, August 3, 2016 11:21 PM
To: Pork Board <info@pork.org>
Subject: New submission from Contact Form

Name

Danna Barkley

Email

Comments / Questions

I am writing in regards to potbelly pigs or special types of small Chinese pigs, which are sold for pets and research. Are these pigs subject to assessment under the Pork Promotion, Research, and Consumer Information Act?

Thank you in advance for your prompt response.
Danna Barkley

Please conserve our natural resources, think twice before you print this e-mail.



STATE OF ARKANSAS
**Department of Finance
and Administration**
<http://www.dfa.arkansas.gov>

SALES & USE TAX SECTION
P. O. BOX 3566
LITTLE ROCK, AR 72203-3566
PHONE (501) 682-7104
FAX (501) 682-7904
sales.tax@dfa.arkansas.gov

Farm Utility Exemption Notice

Act 1441 of 2013 provides an exemption from state and local sales taxes for electricity, natural gas, and liquefied petroleum gas used by qualifying agricultural structures and qualifying aquaculture and horticulture equipment beginning January 1, 2014.

The eligible utility must be separately metered and used only for the purpose of the exemption. If a utility is sold for any other purpose, it will not be eligible for the exemption. Before the exemption is allowed, the farmer seeking the exemption must obtain a certificate from DFA to provide to the utility supplier.

Qualifying agricultural structures are defined as

- A. A poultry or livestock facility used for commercial production, including without limitation a broiler or turkey grow-out house, laying house, hatching unit, nursery unit, breeding house, farrowing unit, and feed-out house;
- B. A cattle or dairy facility, including without limitation a milking parlor, milk collection unit, and refrigeration unit and
- C. A greenhouse used for commercial production.

Horticulture means the initial production and cultivation of fruits, vegetables, tree nuts, trees, shrubs, vines, and florists unless the cultivation of these items are at a retail or wholesale facility from which the items are sold.

Aquaculture is defined as the active cultivation of domesticated fish that are spawned, grown, managed, harvested, and marketed on an annual, semiannual, biennial, or short term basis in waters that are confined within a pond, tank, or lake that is situated entirely on the premises of a single owner and that, except under abnormal flood conditions, are in no way connected by water or with any other flowing stream or body of water; or body of water not situated on the premises of the owner.

Qualifying aquaculture or horticulture equipment includes:

- A. A cooling unit, collection unit, or irrigation equipment used in a commercial horticulture operation;
- B. Equipment used to pump and aerate a pond used in a commercial aquaculture operation; and
- C. A holding and sorting tank used in a commercial aquaculture operation.

The forms to obtain the necessary certificate to provide to the utility suppliers are available by contacting our office at 501-682-7105, Sales and Use Tax Section, P O Box 3566, Little Rock, AR 72203-3566 or are located in the Forms section on the Sales and Use Tax page of the DFA website www.dfa.arkansas.gov .

<http://www.dfa.arkansas.gov>

From: Tricia Power
Sent: Friday, August 5, 2016 1:00 PM
To: barkleydanna@gmail.com
Subject: Your Report a Concern Request #275

Hi Donna,

Here is the information you requested:

What am I needing is the number of dog bites versus number of pig bites for the year 2015? 20 animal bites, none of which were pigs. If you need the # of dog bites specifically, I will have to pull each bite case one by one. I'm sorry, but I won't have time to do that this week.

And if you have those numbers year to date? 20 animal bites year to date. No bites involving pigs.

If you need additional information, please email me directly, please do not use the online form, as it generates additional work on my end to clear it out. It is actually a work order system designed for our citizens to use to report problems and submits requests for an officer to respond.

Let me know if you have any other questions.

Tricia Power
Director, Bryant Animal Control & Adoption Center
25700 Interstate 30 N
Bryant, AR 72022
501.943.0489
f: 501.943.0962

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the city of Bryant, Arkansas**

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PREFACE

This Code constitutes a republication of the general and permanent ordinances of the City of Bryant, Arkansas.

Source materials used in the preparation of the Code were the original Code, as supplemented through November, 2012, and ordinances subsequently adopted by the City. The source of each section is included in the history note appearing in parentheses at the end thereof. The absence of such a note indicates that the section is new and was adopted for the first time with the adoption of the Code. By use of the comparative table appearing in the back of this Code, the reader can locate any section of the Code, as supplemented, and any subsequent ordinance included herein.

Title, Chapter and Section Numbering System

The Code is organized by subject matter under an expandable three-factor decimal numbering system which is designed to facilitate supplementation without disturbing the numbering of existing provisions. Each section number designates, in sequence, the numbers of the title, chapter, and section. Thus, Section 6.04.050 is Section .050, located in Chapter 6.04 of Title 6. In most instances, sections are numbered by tens (.010, .020, .030, etc.), leaving nine vacant positions between original sections to accommodate future provisions. Similarly, chapters and titles are numbered to provide for internal expansion.

Page Numbering System

The page numbering system used in this Code is a prefix system. The letters to the left of the colon are an abbreviation which represents a certain portion of the volume. The number to the right of the colon represents the number of the page in that portion. In the case of a title of the Code, the number to the left of the colon indicates the number of the title. In the case of an appendix to the Code, the letter immediately to the left of the colon indicates the letter of the appendix. The following are typical parts of codes of ordinances, which may or may not appear in this Code at this time, and their corresponding prefixes:

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TITLE 6 - ANIMALS AND FOWL

CHAPTER 6.04 - ANIMAL CONTROL

6.04.01 - Definitions.

The following words and phrases shall for purposes of this ordinance have the following meanings:

Abandon. Any person in possession of an animal who knowingly refuses to provide care for the animal as defined by this ordinance, including failing to reclaim from the city animal control and adoption center.

Animal. Any description of vertebrate, excluding homo sapiens.

Animal control authority. The officers and employees of the city animal control and adoption center.

Animal establishment. Any pet shop, kennel, grooming shop, auction, performing animal exhibition, or other facility engaged in the handling of animals, excluding licensed veterinarians and veterinary clinics and hospitals.

Animal shelter. Any facility designated by the city for the purpose of impounding and caring for animals held under the authority of this code.

At large. Any animal not confined within a house, building, or other secure enclosure or not restrained by the owner or responsible person by leash or lead.

Cat. A feline of either sex, including one neutered or sterilized.

City. [The city of] Bryant, Arkansas.

Code. As used herein, "code" refers to the city animal control code.

Control. Any animal shall be considered under control if it is confined to the premises of its owner or is secured by a leash or lead of sufficient strength to prevent it from escaping, or is confined in an automobile when away from the premises of the owner.

Cruelty to animals. A person commits the offense of cruelty to animals if, except as

authorized by law, he knowingly:

- A. Abandons any animal;
- B. Subjects any animal to cruel treatment;
- C. Subjects any animal in his custody to cruel neglect; or
- D. Kills or injures any animal belonging to another without legal privilege or consent of the owner.
- E. As used in this section, "knowingly" shall mean the following:

A person acts knowingly with respect to his or her conduct or the attendant circumstances when he or she is aware that his or her conduct is of that nature or that such circumstances exists. A person acts knowingly with respect to the result of his or her conduct when he or she is aware that it is practically certain that his or her conduct will cause such a result.

Dog. A canine of either sex, including one neutered or sterilized.

Health officer. The designated official of the state department of health or any local health official whose duties may involve conditions or investigations relevant to animal control.

Humane manner. Care of an animal to include, but not be limited to, adequate heat, ventilation and sanitary shelter, and wholesome food and water, consistent with the normal requirements and feeding habits of the animal's size, species and breed.

Kennel. Any person who engages in the business of boarding, breeding, buying, grooming, letting for hire, training for a fee, or selling animals.

Licensing authority. Any agency or department of the city, or any designated representative thereof, including licensed veterinarians, charged with administering the issuance and/or revocation of certificates and licenses under the provisions of this code.

Neutered. Surgically altered and incapable of sexual reproduction.

Nuisance animals. Owners of nuisance animals shall be subject to fine. Nuisance animals are any animals which infringe upon the rights of another animal or person. An animal shall be considered a nuisance if it damages, soils, defiles, or defecates on private property other than the owner's, or public walks and recreation areas; causes unsanitary, dangerous, or offensive

conditions; causes a disturbance by excessive barking or other noise making; molests, attacks, or interferes with persons in the public right-of-way; chases vehicles or attacks domestic animals; trespasses on school grounds; or is repeatedly at large.

Owner. Any person having a right of property or custody of an animal or who keeps or harbors an animal or knowingly permits an animal to remain on or about any premises occupied by that person over which that person has substantial control.

Person. Any individual, corporation, partnership, association, organization or institution commonly recognized by law as a unit.

Pet shop. Any person engaged in the business of selling two or more species of live animals with the intent that they be kept as pets.

Private kennel. Any person, excluding kennels, pet shops and veterinary clinics and hospitals who keeps, harbors or knowingly permits to remain on or about his premises, more than four dogs or four cats, over six months of age.

Restraint. An animal is under restraint if it is controlled by a leash or within a vehicle being driven or parked on a street, or confined on the property of its owner or keeper.

Veterinary clinic or hospital. A clinic or hospital operated by a licensed veterinarian.

Vicious animal.

- A. Any animal which, when unprovoked, approaches in a manner of attack any person upon the streets, sidewalks, or any other public ground or place;
- B. Any animal with a known propensity, tendency or disposition to attack without provocation human beings or domestic animals;
- C. Any animal which, without provocation, bites or attacks a human being or domestic animal on public or private property; or
- D. Any animal owned or harbored primarily or in part for the purpose of animal fighting or any animal trained for animal fighting.

Notwithstanding the above definition, no animal shall be declared vicious if the person attacked or bitten by said animal was teasing, tormenting, abusing or assaulting the animal or was committing or attempting to commit a crime.

No animal shall be declared vicious if a domestic animal which was bitten or attacked was teasing, tormenting, abusing or assaulting the animal. No animal shall be declared vicious if the animal was protecting or defending a human being within the immediate vicinity of the animal from an unjustified attack or assault.

Wild animal. Any non-human primate, raccoon, skunk, fox, wolf, coyote, poisonous and/or nonpoisonous snake, leopard, panther, tiger, lion, lynx, or any other warm blooded animal which can normally be found in the wild state, or the offspring borne to wild animals bred with domestic dogs and cats.

(Ord. No. 99-8, § 1)

6.04.02 - Licensing and vaccination.

A. *Generally.*

1. No person shall own, keep or harbor any dog or cat within the city unless such dog or cat is licensed and vaccinated as herein provided.
2. The licensing authority shall maintain a record of all certificates and licenses issued, and make such records available to the animal control authority.

B. *Rabies vaccination.*

1. All dogs and cats over six months of age within the city shall be vaccinated against rabies once each year by a licensed veterinarian or agent of the health department or state veterinarian, who will issue to the owner a durable metal tag and a certificate of vaccination approved by the animal control authority. Tags must be attached to the collar or harness of the dog or cat and worn at all times. Tags or certifications are not transferable from one dog or cat to another dog or cat.
2. The health officer and the animal control authority may adopt such other rabies control regulations as they deem necessary for the protection of the public health and safety.

C. *Dog and cat licenses.*

1. All dogs and cats over six months of age shall be licensed as provided herein. Application for a dog or cat license shall be made to the licensing authority and shall state the name, address and telephone number of the owner(s); the name, breed, color, age and sex of the dog or cat; and a certificate of rabies vaccination. Applicants shall pay license fees per year of five dollars (\$5.00) for any neutered or spayed dog or cat and seven dollars and fifty cents (\$7.50) for any un-neutered or un-spayed dog or cat.

2. **Application for a license must be made within thirty (30) days after obtaining a dog or cat over six months of age, or within thirty (30) days of establishing residence in the city. This requirement will not apply to a nonresident keeping a dog or cat within the city for no longer than sixty (60) days.**
3. **All owners of service animals, such as dog guides serving the blind or deaf, or dogs being used to aid sensory impaired citizens, or other citizens who, upon medical advice, require the use of an assistance dog, or government owned dogs used for law enforcement, shall not be required to pay an annual city license fee; but shall be required to obtain a license tag and identification tag.**
4. **The licensing period shall be for one-year and shall be concurrent with the rabies vaccination.**
5. **The licensing authority shall include licensed veterinarians who are hereby empowered to collect the license fee and issue a dog or cat license and a durable metal tag at the time a dog or cat is vaccinated for rabies. Dog or cat license receipts shall be collected from such veterinarians by the city on at least a monthly basis.**
6. **Tags must be attached to the collar or harness of the dog or cat and be worn at all times. Tags are not transferable from one dog or cat to another. Upon the death of the dog or cat, the owner shall advise the city animal control and adoption center which shall void the registration of the animal.**

(Ord. No. 99-8, § 2)

6.04.03 - Restraint.

- A. ***Maintenance of premises and disturbing noises.*** An owner of an animal shall maintain his premises in such a manner as not to constitute either a private nuisance to adjoining property owners or a nuisance to the public generally. Pens in which animals are confined or maintained shall be cleaned regularly so that they are kept free from offensive odors, which would disturb any person residing within a reasonable distance of said premises; and the animals themselves shall be restrained in such a fashion that noise emanating therefrom shall not be disturbing to such persons.
- B. ***Confinement.***
 1. **An owner of a animal, whether vaccinated or unvaccinated, licensed or unlicensed, shall confine such animal within an adequate fence or enclosure or within a house, garage or other building, or shall confine such animal by a chain or leash affixed to the animal's**

collar and attached to some substantial stationary object adequate to prevent the animal from running at large. It shall further be the duty of any owner or keeper of any animal to keep such animal under such control so as to:

- a. Prevent such animal from becoming a danger to persons or property, or trespassing upon another person's property without that person's permission; and
 - b. Prevent such animal from running at large upon the streets, sidewalks, alleys, parks or other public places of the city.
2. An owner of a vicious animal shall confine it within a building or secure enclosure and not release it therefrom unless it is securely muzzled. Any vicious animal trespassing or running at large is hereby declared a nuisance and may be impounded by the animal control authority. Further, in any prosecution of an owner or keeper of any such vicious animal for trespassing or running at large, the municipal court may, upon conviction entered, order that such animal be humanely destroyed.
 3. Every female dog or cat in heat shall be kept confined in a building or secure enclosure or in a veterinary clinic or hospital or in a kennel in such a manner that such female dog or cat cannot come into contact with another dog or cat, except for intentional breeding purposes.
 4. It shall be unlawful for any owner to allow his dog or cat to enter any food store or place where food is exhibited for sale.
 5. It shall be unlawful for any person owning or having control of any chickens, ducks or other fowl or swine within the city to permit them to run at large.
- C. *Rabid animals or animals suspected of having rabies.*
1. Every veterinarian shall report promptly to the health officer or animal control authority all cases of rabies in animals treated by him giving name and address of the owner; and owners and addresses of any animal(s) bitten by such rabid animal, so far as known.
 2. Any person having knowledge that an animal, domestic or wild, is rabid or suspects an animal of having rabies, or knowledge that an animal has been bitten by a rabid animal, shall promptly report such information, to the extent known, to the health officer or the animal control authority.
 3. It shall be the duty of the owner, the health department, or the person or agency gaining information that any domestic animal or person has been bitten or is probably infected with rabies, to incarcerate or impound the animal in the institution of some competent

veterinarian within this city or county, or in the animal shelter, where the animal shall be held for observation for such period of time as may be reasonably necessary to determine whether the animal is infected with rabies.

(Ord. No. 99-8, § 3)

6.04.04 - Cruelty.

Prohibited treatment; removal of mistreated animals.

A. It shall be unlawful for any person to:

1. Overdrive, overload, overwork, torture, beat, mutilate, kill needlessly, carry or confine in a vehicle in an inhumane manner, or otherwise mistreat, any animal;
2. Fail to provide any animal with proper food, drink, protection from the weather and veterinary care; or
3. Abandon any animal;
4. Intentionally poison any animal;
5. Allow or promote any fight between animals, or to allow or permit any such fight in or upon any premises in his possession or under his control;
6. Allow an animal to be kept in unsanitary conditions;
7. Keep or confine an animal in other than a humane manner.

- B. The animal control authority may remove any animal kept or confined under such conditions and may impound such animal.

(Ord. No. 99-8, § 4)

6.04.05 - Wild animals

A. *Prohibitions.*

1. No person may own, possess or have custody of any wild animal, unless that person obtains a permit from the animal control authority as provided herein.
2. No person may sponsor, promote or train a wild animal to participate in, contribute to the involvement of a wild animal in, or attend as a spectator in any activity or event in which any wild animal engage in unnatural behavior or is wrestled, fought, mentally or physically harassed, or displayed in such a way that the animal is abused or stressed mentally or physically. This prohibition applies to events and activities taking place in either public or private facilities or property, and applies regardless of the purpose of the

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Chapter 2

ANIMAL CONTROL

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North Little Rock

From: Billy Grace
Sent: Friday, August 5, 2016 10:47 AM
To: Danna Barkley
Subject: Re: Numbers on dog bites versus pig bites

Danna:

In 2015 we worked 48 dog bites, 10 cat bites, 1 raccoon bite, 1 squirrel bite, 1 ground hog bite and "0" Pot Belly Pig bites. I don't ever remember a Pot Belly Pig biting anyone in NLR but I guess it is possible.

I don't know how Little Rock handles Pot Belly Pigs.

Hope this helps;

Billy Grace

On 8/3/2016 2:35 PM, Danna Barkley wrote:

Good afternoon, my name is Danna Barkley. I am working my city to amend our animal ordinance to hopefully recognize the potbelly pig as a pet. I was wondering if you could supply me with some statistical information for my research to present since your city recognizes the PBP as pets?

What am I needing is the number of dog bites versus number of pig bites for the year 2015?

And if you have those numbers year to date?

Thank you in advance for providing me with this information and your prompt response.
Danna Barkley

P.S. Does Little Rock also allow potbelly pigs within city limits?

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fowl roost or are kept each 24 hours, shall spray and disinfect such areas each third day, and shall remove and destroy all refuse, droppings, feathers or other matter cleaned from such pens, coops or enclosures. All droppings from such fowl shall not be left aboveground upon any premises in the city for longer than 48 hours. Any person occupying, owning or having control of the premises where fowls are permitted to be kept shall collect and bury under six inches of dirt or soil or remove and carry away any and all such droppings and refuse each 48 hours.

7.1.6 Roosters Banned. It shall be unlawful to keep roosters at any residence located within the City. This section will not be construed to apply to the transporting of these animals through the City.

Section 2 CATTLE AND LIVESTOCK

7.2.1 Certain stables declared nuisance. All stables within the limits of this city used for the housing of livestock for sale which violate any of the provisions of this chapter are hereby declared to be public nuisances and menaces to the public health.

7.2.2 Keeping of horses and cattle.

- (A) No person shall keep any horse or cattle except in an enclosed pasture containing one (1) acre for each animal.
- (B) The keeping of horses and cattle in enclosures as provided in this section within the limits of the city shall be under the supervision and control of the Director of Animal Control.

7.2.3 Keeping of hogs, goats or sheep.

- (A) It is hereby declared to be unlawful for any person to possess, maintain or keep any hogs, goats or sheep within the limits of the city or to permit any hogs, goats or sheep to run at large within the limits of the city; except that hogs, goats or sheep in transit may be kept for a period not to exceed 24 hours in a duly established stockyard.
- (B) The enforcement of the provisions contained in this section shall be the responsibility of the police department, the city health officer, Animal Control Officers or the city code enforcement officers.
- (C) This section does not apply to Vietnamese pot-bellied pigs. For the purpose of this section, the Vietnamese pot-bellied pig is to be considered a pet and subject to any and all laws that may apply to pets, including, but not limited to, restrictions on running at large.
- (D) This section does not apply to hogs, goats, or sheep at an agri-tourism educational facility of no less than 60 acres, provided the number of animals does not exceed the following: 60 goats, 5 hogs, and 12 sheep. Facilities operating under this subsection:

- (i) **Shall not allow animals within one hundred (100) feet of any residential property line; and**
- (ii) **Will operate the facility in such a manner that will not allow or create noxious odors or any other nuisance prohibited pursuant to Section 6.1.7(F) hereinabove or NLRMC Chapter 8 (Nuisance Abatement and Property Maintenance), Section 8.1.3 (Illustrative enumeration of a nuisance).**

See Ord. No. 8607 adopted February 10, 2014.

7.2.4 Livestock running at large.

- (A) **No person owning, possessing, or keeping livestock as defined in this chapter shall allow any such animal to run at large within the city limits.**
- (B) **Any person found to be in violation of this section shall be punished as required in section 1.3.2 of this Code.**

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ORDINANCE NO. 20,957

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ARTICLE IV OF CHAPTER 6 OF THE LITTLE ROCK CODE OF ORDINANCES TO CLARIFY THE REQUIREMENTS FOR KEEPING A VIETNAMESE POT-BELLIED PIG WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; TO LIMIT THE NUMBER OF VIETNAMESE POT-BELLIED PIGS ALLOWED IN ANY ONE (1) HOUSEHOLD; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City finds it desirable to clarify exceptions in Article IV of Chapter 6 of the Code of Ordinances; and,

WHEREAS, the City Board of Directors wishes to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the City's inhabitants by clarifying the distance that the lot or pen of a Vietnamese Pot-Bellied Pig must be from the nearest residence or business and to limit the number of Pot-Bellied Pigs that may be kept in any one (1) household;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:

Section 1. The language in Section 6-41(5) of Article IV of Chapter 6 of the Little Rock Code of Ordinances is hereby deleted and replaced with the following language:

(a) Vietnamese pot-bellied pigs, subject to the provisions of §§ 6-1 through 6-8(a) and 6-43.

(b) It shall be unlawful for more than one (1) Vietnamese Pot-Bellied Pig to be kept or harbored in any household or business within the corporate limits of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas.

Section 2. The language in Section 6-43 of Article IV of Chapter 6 of the Little Rock Code of Ordinances is hereby deleted and replaced with the following language:

(a) It shall be unlawful to keep cows, goats, horses, Vietnamese Pot-Bellied Pigs, or other lawfully allowed hooved animals in a pen or lot, pasture, yard, home or building that is within 300 feet of any residence or business other than the residence of the livestock owner or business establishment of the livestock owner.

Section 3. Severability. In the event any section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, subparagraph, item, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this ordinance is declared or adjudged to be invalid or

1 unconstitutional, such declaration or adjudication shall not affect the remaining provisions of this
2 ordinance, as if such invalid or unconstitutional provision were not originally a part of this ordinance.

3 **Section 4. Repealer.** All ordinances, resolutions, bylaws, and other matters inconsistent with this
4 ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

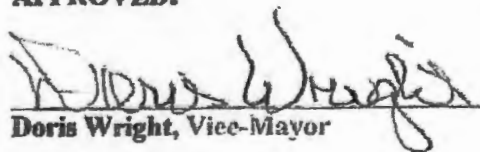
5 **Section 5. Emergency.** The Board of Directors hereby finds that it is necessary to implement these
6 clarifications regarding the keeping of Vietnamese Pot-Bellied Pigs in the City Limits to protect and
7 preserve the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of this City. Therefore, an emergency is hereby
8 declared to exist and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.
9 There shall be a thirty (30)-day grace period immediately following the effective day of this ordinance for
10 the owner of a Vietnamese Pot-Bellied Pig to come into compliance with §§ 6-41 and 6-43 before the
11 penalty for violation shall be imposed.

12 **PASSED: November 18, 2014**

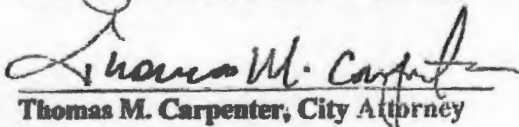
13 **ATTEST:**

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16 Susan Langley, City Clerk

APPROVED:


Doris Wright, Vice-Mayor

17 **APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:**

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20 Thomas M. Carpenter, City Attorney

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From: Kellyjbook

Sent: Monday, August 8, 2016 8:58 PM

To: Danna Barkley

Subject: Barkley Pot Belly Pigs

Dear City Council,

I wanted to write a letter to let you know that we would hate to see the family pets be taken away from such great and loving care as the Barkleys have shown. As we, the next door neighbors, have enjoyed the pigs and have never had any issues with them. They aren't any different than having a dog or cat next door, there is never an odor or any noise from them at all. The Barkley family takes very well care of them as well as their surroundings and yard. I don't understand how they could bother or harm anyone? We have 2 small children and the kids just adore them and think they are the best pets ever! Wilbur and Fern are so sweet and just mind their own business. They need to be with their family as finding a new home could destroy them as well as anyone who has gotten to know them. Please let them be in peace and happy just where they belong.

Thanks,

Kelly Book

4408 Lochmoor Cir

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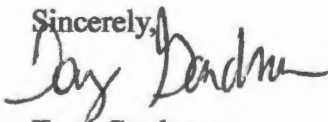
August 3, 2016

To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing this letter in support of the city council amending the ordinance currently in place prohibiting swine in the city limits of Jonesboro. I understand the city's current position on swine in the city limits but this ordinance was adopted to prevent the raising and breeding of swine for commercial or as a farming operation. Pot bellied pigs are pets and as with any pet, the manner in which they are cared for determines their nuisance level. I have personally witnessed the manner in which the Barkley's care for their pets. Wilbur and Fern reside inside the residence, they are house broken and are treated to pool time in kiddie pools. Wilbur has been instrumental in raising money for different charities.

I live at 2105 Sheffield Drive and had a neighbor that had chickens as pets and the rooster was waking me up every morning at 4:30 crowing 7 days a week. He would fly over my privacy fence and leave droppings on my patio and scratching all through my landscaping. He even would peck at my backdoor causing my dogs to bark like crazy. My point is that it doesn't matter what type of pet resides within the city limit, it is the level of responsibility of the pet owner. The Barkley's are meticulous and responsible pet owners. The swine ordinance needs to be amended to reflect pot bellied pigs as pets and not classified as farm swine. If these pot bellied pigs are forced to be re-homed they will more than likely grieve themselves to death because of the strong bond and attachment they develop between them and their owners. Please update this 1956 ordinance and recognize pot bellied pigs as pets.

Sincerely,



Tony Gardner

From: Danna Barkley
Sent: Sunday, August 7, 2016 9:14 AM
To: barkleydanna@gmail.com
Subject: Letter from previous employee

Danna, I have written you a letter ... You have my permission to post, email, use in any public or private way in an effort to save your pet pigs. I sent it in a message to the Jobsboro Sun as a Letter to the editor. I did my best! Hope it helps!

To the Mayor of Jonesboro, The City Council, The City Attorney, And any other Jonesboro City official to whom this time sensitive matter may concern:

My name is Denise Walker Wilson. I am 51 years old and I grew up in Jonesboro and have been a life long resident of that place I am proud to call home!

I am writing to you today on behalf of residents Barry and Danna Barkley. As a Registered Nurse I have worked at NEA Baptist Memorial Hospital Under Danna Barkley caring for the citizens of NEA for a number of years. I am currently traveling as a Register Nurse residing in Key West, FL for the next three months. I have learned through Social Media of the desperate effort of the Barkley family to amend ordinance number 952 in an effort to save their much loved and cared for family pets which are pot belly pigs. I know that Wilber has attended public events for NEA Baptist Hospital and I have followed Danna Barkley's many Facebook posts documenting the wonderful care and extreme love her family has given to these loved domestic family pets. All one has to do is view these photos to know that these are not farm or livestock animals being raised outside in a wild manner. These are tame pampered beloved family members just like any other Jobsboro residents cares for a dog or a cat.

I am asking you to please amend this antiquated ordinance to allow this family to keep their loved family members. If you have loved family pets I would ask you to put yourself in their shoes for a moment and understand that while it is right to punish those who abuse animals, we should all praise those who set the example in loving animals as family members and giving all in their love and care. This issue is well known to the public through the press and social media. I ask that you show our citizens the capacity to care and make the necessary changes in this vague outdated ordinance to do simply what is Right and allow this family to remain intact with the freedom we all should have to love each other!

Thank you!

Sincerely,
Denise Walker Wilson

Danna Barkley
Sent from my iPhone



Invite Jana to Messenger

We had a neighbor when we live on Willow Oak about 15 years ago that had a pot bellied pig for a pet and she was a great pet. We never had a problem with her and she was so sweet. She would occasionally be out in the yard and she just followed them around. Her name was Jenny Craig and they choose her because she had hair instead of fur and the man was allergic to fur so she was a good choice. We live in Wood Springs Estates now and I can assure you we have had more trouble with neighbors dogs over the years than we ever did with Jenny Craig.
Good luck



To whom it may concern:

A few years ago, I had the privilege of working with Danna Barkley on a fund raiser for the hospital where we worked together. As part of the fundraiser, our CEO agreed to "kiss a pig" if raised a certain amount of money for our chosen charity, which was to place a bench in the prayer garden on the new hospital campus. I am certain that at the time he did not know about Wilbur. Danna helped get our group as well as staff across the hospital excited about the possibility that Wilbur would be making a trip to the hospital yard for a kiss with our CEO. She brought pictures and told stories of how Wilbur interacted with her and her family. As the fund raiser went on, it became apparent that our CEO was in fact going to meet Wilbur. Everyone was so excited that they gave additional funds to ensure that Wilbur got a trip to meet the CEO. On the big day, Danna brought Wilbur to the front lawn of the hospital where a crowd of staff, physicians, and visitors had gathered. For those that were unable to go outside that day, the large front windows of the hospital made a great viewing area for the event. Wilbur arrived to the lawn being escorted on a leash, much like I walk my dog, and he was very docile with those who wanted to meet him. He remained right at Danna's side as he waited to meet the CEO for their kiss. As our CEO arrived for the big meeting, Wilbur continued to stay at Danna's side and was very well behaved throughout the afternoon. After the big kiss, everyone's attention remained on Wilbur, and many people requested to take pictures with him. Everyone had a lot of fun that day, and that was all because of Wilbur. That fund raiser would never have been that successful without Wilbur! He was the center of attention that day and we could not have asked for a better outcome. I appreciate your consideration of this day and Wilbur's as you think about options for this family.

Susan Livengood, RN

From: Danna Barkley
Sent: Wednesday, August 3, 2016 9:44 PM
To: Danna Barkley
Subject: FW: Letter in support of PBP

On Aug 3, 2016, at 6:01 PM, Lisa Trevathan <lstrevathan@gmail.com> wrote:

Aug 3, 2016

To Whom It May Concern

Regarding pet pigs

Pigs are very intelligent and gentle animals. They do not affect property values. They are very easy to train.

They have lived for 4 or 5 years in the same house. They do not cause trouble. Please do not uproot these babies from the only home and people they know.

Please allow these pigs to stay in their home. The old swine law needs to be updated.

Thank you
Lisa Trevathan

August 3, 2016

To whom it may concern,

I believe that potbelly pigs should be legal in the Jonesboro area. These animals make very intelligent and loving pets. Additionally, they are capable of being housebroken just as any dog or cat. I have seen many pictures of this family and their pigs, Fern and Wilber over the past couple years. They are a part of this family just as my two small dogs are a part of my family. I cannot imagine being forced to give them up. Danna Barkley keeps her home impeccably clean and her pigs are probably even better behaved than my fur babies. Potbelly pigs are such loving animals and as such deserve to have loving homes. If taken away from this family, the family and pigs would suffer needlessly. Please amend the zoning laws in consideration for these intelligent and loving animals. The zoning laws are grossly outdated. There are no logical reasons why this family should not be allowed to keep their loved family members, Fern and Wilber. Please allow this family to keep their potbelly pigs. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Melissa Herring

1901 Johnson Avenue, Apt #21

Jonesboro, AR 72401

Cell (870) 270-7341

From: Shannon Harpole
Sent: Tuesday, August 2, 2016 9:37 PM
To: barkleydanna@gmail.com
Subject: Piggy

To whom it may concern:

I am writing in regards to a recent situation where a friend was cited for having two domesticated pot belly pigs in her home within city limits. I understand there has to be rules in place to keep bad things from happening or dangerous situations from occurring, but these two pigs are family pets and have been for quite some time without any incident. I beg of you to amend the law to state that domesticated pot belly pigs are okay within city limits. She has spoken with her neighborhood board and they have had no complaints over her pigs and are okay with them staying in the neighborhood that they currently live in. Did you know that domesticated pot belly pigs can grieve themselves to death when taken from their owners? Why inflict such pain on the animal or the owners? If you are truly for the citizens of this city, please hear our pleas to allow them to keep their pigs. They are family to her. There are so many more issues as far as animals are concerned in this town that are way more urgent than removing someone's beloved pets from their home. I would rather see more people cited or jailed for leaving their pets outside without proper shelter and food and water, than you take away these family members. I urge you to look at this law and amend it to save these pigs from an awful fate. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Shannon Harpole

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

From: Debbie Morrison
Sent: Tuesday, August 2, 2016 7:04 PM
To: barkleydanna@gmail.com
Subject: Pigs

Dear Council members . My name is Debbie Morrison and I am a pot belly pig owner. I understand the city has rules about farm animals and I understand that. I was raised on a farm and I now own a precious pot bellied pig which is more being raised for food. He is and will be part of our family for the rest of his life. He does tricks and is very loving, he is so smart he's the most loving animal I've ever had with those loving sweet eyes. He doesn't even require a bath very often , because he doesn't smell like a dog does. I bought lime to put in my yard in case it smelled. I haven't had to use it yet and he's 13 mths old. He loves being inside because he doesn't like the heat. Please don't make the Barkley get rid of their babies. Make the law different, I know there should be regulations, but these animals are bred for pets. We pot bellied pig parents are the only ones that will know this is true. Please reconsider this ordnance because times have changed and people love their pets. Animals are not just food. Thank you. Debbie Morrison

Aug. 5, 2016

To whom it may concern:

My name is Brenda Tucker. I have lived next door to the Barkleys for the past six years. My address is 4400 Lochmoor Circle, Jonesboro, AR 72401. My phone # is 680-3357.

It has come to my attention that there are some questions from unknown person or persons regarding pets of my neighbors, the Barkleys. I understand that Wilbur and Fern are the pets in question.

It is my opinion that these pets are a welcome addition to our neighborhood. They do not bark, they are kept clean, they have collars which prohibit them from leaving their territory and often children come to see and pet them. They are never left outside when their owners are not at home.

Clearly the Barkleys are animal lovers and often take in lost or injured ^{animals} and try to find their owners or help them in any way they can.

I am hoping you will be able to allow Wilbur and Fern to remain in their happy home. Sincerely,

Brenda L. Tucker,

August 4, 2016

To Whom It May Concern,

As an animal lover who wants the freedom and right to enjoy having the pet of my choice, I am writing to ask for your support on behalf of the Barkley's, Wilbur and Fern, important members of their family. Please grant the Barkley's permission to keep their pet pigs, Wilbur and Fern, at home with them and consider changing the city ordinance to recognize the potbelly pig as a smart, sweet, loving pet.

Research tells us pigs are very intelligent and a great alternative to a dog or cat, even with many of the same characteristics. Potbelly pigs do not shed like a dog or cat which is an added bonus for those with allergies to pet hair and dander.

I have lived across the street from the Barkley's for several years and have enjoyed seeing the pigs. You can't help but to smile when you see them out, wagging their tails. They are docile, quiet, clean animals. I have never had any issues or concerns with them at all.

Valued pets can bring us so much love and joy, therefore it would be a travesty to separate the Barkley's from their beloved pets. Wilbur and Fern have become not only a part of their family but a part of the Sage Meadows community.

Again, I urge you to consider what you would be doing to this family and I urge you to seriously consider updating our outdated ordinance to include the potbelly pig as a pet.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter and take this into consideration,

Kelli Register

Sage Meadows Neighbor

From: Jill Gibson
Sent: Wednesday, August 3, 2016 10:20 PM
To: barkleydanna@gmail.com
Subject: Letter

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter to ask that you please allow Barry and Danna Barkley to keep the pigs that have become such a part of our family. To take them away would negatively effect the pigs and our entire family.

We r a close knit family that live within blocks of each another. I, as well as, my nine year old son love them and cannot imagine them not being there everyday. They are not only loved by us, but also the neighborhood in which we live.

These pigs are extremely well cared for. There are so many animals that are not taken care of and do not have a home. It does not make sense to include these two animals in that population just because they are pigs. I am horrified at the thought.

These are not farm animals. They are truly no different than having a dog. Please take the time to review the information as so much has changed since the original ordinance was passed. It is my hope that this ordinance can be amnnended to show the true nature of these animals.

I look forward to many more years with these babies. I know our entire neighborhood will also be thrilled.

Thank you in advance for your support!

Jill Gibson

Sent from my iPhone

From: Chris Gibson
Sent: Thursday, August 11, 2016 4:37 PM
To: Harold Perrin
Cc: Danna Barkley; Aldermen; Carol Duncan; Donna Jackson
Subject: Re: Ordinance 952 - Wilbur & Fern

I apologize that I will be unable to make the meeting Tuesday due to business obligations. As a neighbor to the Barkley's, as well as their alderman, I would like to go on record as saying that Wilbur and Fern have not to my knowledge to have ever been a nuisance to our neighborhood. They are well kept and cared for.

CG....

Sent from my iPad

On Aug 11, 2016, at 3:52 PM, Harold Perrin <HPerrin@jonesboro.org> wrote:

Danna,
I have talked with our City Attorney about your case. Attached is a copy of the letter you should be receiving in the mail. If you need anything else please give me a call.
Thank you,

Mayor Harold Perrin
[300 S. Church Street](#)
[PO Box 1845](#)
[Jonesboro, AR 72403](#)
hperrin@jonesboro.org
[870-932-1052](tel:870-932-1052)

From: Danna Barkley [<mailto:barkleydanna@gmail.com>]
Sent: Thursday, August 11, 2016 2:42 PM
To: Harold Perrin
Subject: Re: Ordinance 952 - Wilbur & Fern

Mayor Perrin,
I wanted to follow up with you to see if you had a chance to speak with Ms. Duncan regarding my case and meeting?

Thanks.

Danna Barkley
Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 6, 2016, at 8:54 PM, Harold Perrin <HPerrin@jonesboro.org> wrote:

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Woman continues fight for pigs

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JONESBORO, AR (KAIT) - One Jonesboro woman is still determined to keep her potbelly pigs in town after she received a notice stating they had to be removed from the city.

"As far as a plan B, I don't have a plan B other than to continue to fight for Fern and Wilbur," said Danna Barkley, the owner of the pigs.

The fight continues as Barkley hopes that city officials will amend a Jonesboro city ordinance that states it is unlawful to keep any live swine within the corporate limits of the city. Barkley thinks that should not apply to her pets.

She has until the August 29 to remove her pigs, Wilbur and Fern, from the city.

Since she received her notice from animal control, she has worked continuously to prove that her potbelly pigs are pets instead of the feeder and breeder pigs she believes the city's ordinance is referring to.

Just recently, Barkley spoke with Mayor Harold Perrin and said now she's waiting for him to send her documentation to the city attorney in hopes of taking the case before the city council for a vote to amend the ordinance.

In the meantime, she has started two petitions for signatures to save Wilbur and Fern, which she hopes will make a difference in the end.

"I mean it would just be a relief," Barkley said. "It would be a tremendous relief when this is all said and done and we are able to keep Wilbur and Fern and keep our family together."

Barkley said even though she's putting up a fight to keep her potbelly pigs, she understands that the city of Jonesboro is just doing their job and wants to thank them for hearing her story.

She asks everyone to continue to support them as well.

Barkley also said the petitions are still out there and she encouraged everyone to sign it and spread the word.

So far, she has received over 1,700 signatures.

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Confident in Welch

As an alumnus of ASU, I am disappointed by the actions of Dr. Tim Hudson. I do think Dr. Charles Welch acted correctly in requiring an internal audit and then acted quickly and appropriately.

Under Dr. Welch's direction and the support of the board of trustees and help from Gov. Mike Beebe, we just watched the official beginning of ASU's new medical school. It has the potential to be a game-changer for ASU and Jonesboro.

I have confidence in Dr. Welch and our board of trustees. If you feel as I do, let Dr. Welch and the trustees know.

**Marvin Hagaman
Jonesboro**

Be vigilant

Good work last week, but let's not forget that King Harold still roams the streets in our \$65,000 chariot.

**Harold Washington
Jonesboro**

Help family save pets

To the mayor of Jonesboro, the city council, the city attorney and any other Jonesboro City official to whom this time-sensitive matter may concern:

My name is Denise Walker Wilson. I am 51 years old and I grew up in Jonesboro and have been a lifelong resident of that place I am proud to call home!

I am writing to you today on behalf of residents Barry and Danna Barkley. As a registered nurse, I have worked at NEA Baptist Memorial Hospital under Danna Barkley caring for the residents of NEA for a number of years. I am currently traveling as a registered nurse, residing in Key West, Fla., for the next three months. I have learned through social media of the desperate effort of the Barkley family to amend

ordinance 952 in an effort to save their much loved and cared for family pets, which are pot belly pigs.

I know that Wilber has attended public events for NEA Baptist Hospital, and I have followed Danna Barkley's many Facebook posts documenting the wonderful care and extreme love her family has given to these domestic family pets. All one has to do is view these photos to know that these are not farm or livestock animals being raised outside in a wild manner. These are tame, pampered, beloved family members just like any other Jonesboro resident who cares for a dog or a cat.

I am asking you to please amend this antiquated ordinance to allow this family to keep their loved family members. If you have loved family pets, I would ask you to put yourself in their shoes for a moment and understand that while it is right to punish those who abuse animals, we should all praise those who set the example in loving animals as family members and giving all in their love and care.

This issue is well known to the public through the press and social media. I ask that you show our citizens the capacity to care and make the necessary changes in this vague, outdated ordinance to do simply what is right and allow this family to remain intact with the freedom we all should have to love each other.

**Denise Walker Wilson
Jonesboro**

Wildcat council

Re: Trumann City Council voting to not let another ambulance service enter the city to perform a very needed service.

This is a disservice to the residents of the community. Medic One Ambulance is trying to start an ambulance service in your city and was stopped

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Selective enforcement

I'm noticing some selective enforcement of Jonesboro ordinances. Those poor folks are losing their pig, but the 18-wheeler sitting on Cate Street remains an illegal eyesore.

Two ordinances — one that prohibits the blocking of sidewalks and the other which prevents the parking of commercial trucks in the city limits. The second of these, ordinance 66-192, seems quite clear that if you leave your commercial truck on a city street or alley overnight, it's a \$25 fine per day.

Will those two ordinances get enforced?

**Vickie Russell
Jonesboro**

It's post — with Vickie



Holly Davis Stuart
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Good point

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Awanna Smith There's one that parks on Wilkins, too. I had wondered about that.

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Terry Reed Leave those pigs alone! They're not hurting anyone. ...haven't hurt anyone and neighbors doesn't mind.there's a way to many other things Animal Control should be worrying about than those pigs! They have a home.

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