



# City of Jonesboro

900 West Monroe  
Jonesboro, AR 72401

## Meeting Agenda Public Safety Council Committee

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Tuesday, July 30, 2013

5:30 PM

Huntington Building

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### Special Called Meeting

#### 1. Call To Order

#### 3. New Business

##### *Ordinances To Be Introduced*

**ORD-13:036** AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 10 KNOWN AS THE ANIMALS ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR CHANGES IN THE ENFORCEMENT AND RULES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY TO PROVIDE CLARITY IN THE EXISTING ORDINANCES

**Sponsors:** Planning, Police Department and Code Enforcement

**ORD-13:037** AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 30-24, EXCEPTIONS FOR LARGE TRACTS OF LAND, FOR THE CUTTING OF GRASS, WEEDS, BRUSH, VINES, ETC., WITHIN THE CODE THAT FORMERLY ALLOWED SPECIAL CONSIDERATION FOR LARGER TRACTS OF LAND AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY FOR THE REDUCTION OF PUBLIC NUISANCES AND THE PRESERVATION OF PUBLIC PEACE, HEALTH, AND SAFETY.

**Sponsors:** Planning and Code Enforcement

##### *Resolutions To Be Introduced*

**RES-13:125** A RESOLUTION TO INCREASE THE SPEED LIMIT ON BROWNS LANE FROM 30MPH TO 40MPH BETWEEN HIGHLAND DRIVE AND RACE/WINDOVER STREET AND TO ADD STOP SIGNS AT CERTAIN LOCATIONS IN THE CITY OF JONESBORO

**Sponsors:** Police Department

#### 6. Public Comments

#### 7. Adjournment



Legislation Details (With Text)

**File #:** ORD-13:036    **Version:** 1    **Name:** Amend Code of Ordinances regarding animals  
**Type:** Ordinance    **Status:** In Committee  
**File created:** 7/15/2013    **In control:** Public Safety Council Committee  
**On agenda:**    **Final action:** 7/30/2013  
**Title:** AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 10 KNOWN AS THE ANIMALS ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR CHANGES IN THE ENFORCEMENT AND RULES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY TO PROVIDE CLARITY IN THE EXISTING ORDINANCES  
**Sponsors:** Planning, Police Department, Code Enforcement  
**Indexes:** Code of Ordinances amendment  
**Code sections:** Chapter 10 - Animals  
**Attachments:**

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7/30/2013	1	Public Safety Council Committee		

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 10 KNOWN AS THE ANIMALS ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR CHANGES IN THE ENFORCEMENT AND RULES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY TO PROVIDE CLARITY IN THE EXISTING ORDINANCES  
WHEREAS THE CITY OF JONESBORO DESIRES TO PROMOTE A HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT BY PREVENTING PUBLIC NUSIANCE CAUSED BY ODOR OR THE ATTRACTION OF UNDESIRABLE RODENTS OR INSECTS.  
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS:

IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON TO KEEP ANY ANIMAL IN SUCH A MANNER AS TO ENDANGER THE PUBLIC HEALTH BY THE ACCUMULATION OF ANIMAL WASTE WHICH CAUSES FOUL AND OFFENSIVE ODORS ARE CONSIDERED TO BE A HAZARD TO OTHER ANIMALS OR HUMAN BEINGS.

SECTION I: CHAPTER 10-12 SHALL BE AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

Sec. 10-12. - Animal waste removal and disposal from properties.

- (a) *Purpose.* To require the removal and disposal of animal feces deposited without permission on public and private property so as to protect public health, safety, and welfare, and to prescribe penalties for failure to comply.
- (b) *Violation.* A violation occurs when an owner or custodian of an animal fails to immediately remove and to properly dispose of feces deposited by their animal on any public street, sidewalk, gutter, park or other publicly owned property or private property unless the owner of the property has given permission allowing such use of the property. Proper feces disposal shall be executed in accordance with "Chapter 54 - Solid Waste, Division 1 - Generally, Section 54-44 - Animal Waste"
- (c) *Exemptions.* This section shall not apply to visually impaired persons who have charge, control, or use of guide dogs or persons using animals in conjunction with activities of law enforcement.
- (d) *Enforcement.* Representatives of the Police Department shall enforce the provisions of this chapter. Police Officers, Animal Control Officers and Code Enforcement Officers shall have the

authority to issue citation(s) to person(s) violating the provisions of this chapter within the Officers presence. If the Officer does not view the occurrence of the violation, the Officers will then advise the complaining property owner on an affidavit process and assist the complainant with any documentation received by this office.

(e) *Penalty.* Any person(s) who is found to be in violation of the provisions of this ordinance section shall be subject to a fine of \$75.00 for each occurrence.

SECTION II: All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION III: It is further found that due to the immediate need to provide clarity to the existing ordinances, an emergency is declared to exist and this ordinance being necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, shall take effect from and after its passage and approval.



## Legislation Details (With Text)

<b>File #:</b>	ORD-13:037	<b>Version:</b>	1	<b>Name:</b>	Amend Code of Ordinances concerning large tracts of land and grass mowing
<b>Type:</b>	Ordinance	<b>Status:</b>		<b>Status:</b>	In Committee
<b>File created:</b>	7/15/2013	<b>In control:</b>		<b>In control:</b>	Public Safety Council Committee
<b>On agenda:</b>		<b>Final action:</b>		<b>Final action:</b>	7/30/2013
<b>Title:</b>	AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 30-24, EXCEPTIONS FOR LARGE TRACTS OF LAND, FOR THE CUTTING OF GRASS, WEEDS, BRUSH, VINES, ETC., WITHIN THE CODE THAT FORMERLY ALLOWED SPECIAL CONSIDERATION FOR LARGER TRACTS OF LAND AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY FOR THE REDUCTION OF PUBLIC NUISANCES AND THE PRESERVATION OF PUBLIC PEACE, HEALTH, AND SAFETY.				
<b>Sponsors:</b>	Planning, Code Enforcement				
<b>Indexes:</b>	Code of Ordinances amendment				
<b>Code sections:</b>	Chapter 30 - Environment				
<b>Attachments:</b>					

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AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 30-24, EXCEPTIONS FOR LARGE TRACTS OF LAND, FOR THE CUTTING OF GRASS, WEEDS, BRUSH, VINES, ETC., WITHIN THE CODE THAT FORMERLY ALLOWED SPECIAL CONSIDERATION FOR LARGER TRACTS OF LAND AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY FOR THE REDUCTION OF PUBLIC NUISANCES AND THE PRESERVATION OF PUBLIC PEACE, HEALTH, AND SAFETY.

WHEREAS, the City of Jonesboro realizes large tracts of land exist within the commercial and neighborhood core areas of the City, which are not being maintained from a quality of life perspective, and have shown to foster the harboring and breeding of mosquitoes due to lack of yard maintenance.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS THAT: Code Section 30-24 be amended as follows:

SECTION (1): Large Tracts of Land located in areas zoned C-1, C-2, C-3, C-4 and CR-1 shall not be exempt from maintenance and compliance of Section 30-31, Minimum requirements for weeds, vines, grass or low-hanging limbs.

SECTION (2): If the tract of land is shown to be a danger to the public peace, health and safety, the entire tract will be cut and such grass, weeds, brush, vines, etc. shall be cut below the 12 inches specified.

SECTION (3): It is further found that due to the immediate need to provide clarity to the existing ordinances, an emergency is declared to exist and this ordinance being necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and the reduction in public nuisances shall take effect from and after its passage and approval.



## Legislation Details (With Text)

**File #:** RES-13:125    **Version:** 2    **Name:** Increase speed limit on Brown's Lane and add stop signs  
**Type:** Resolution    **Status:** In Committee  
**File created:** 7/30/2013    **In control:** Public Safety Council Committee  
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**Title:** A RESOLUTION TO INCREASE THE SPEED LIMIT ON BROWNS LANE FROM 30MPH TO 40MPH BETWEEN HIGHLAND DRIVE AND RACE/WINDOVER STREET AND TO ADD STOP SIGNS AT CERTAIN LOCATIONS IN THE CITY OF JONESBORO  
**Sponsors:** Police Department  
**Indexes:** Parking & Traffic  
**Code sections:**  
**Attachments:**

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A RESOLUTION TO INCREASE THE SPEED LIMIT ON BROWNS LANE FROM 30MPH TO 40MPH BETWEEN HIGHLAND DRIVE AND RACE/WINDOVER STREET AND TO ADD STOP SIGNS AT CERTAIN LOCATIONS IN THE CITY OF JONESBORO

WHEREAS, the Traffic Control Review Committee has reviewed these issues and determined that these changes are appropriate to control the flow of traffic in the City of Jonesboro; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jonesboro desires to be consistent with the speed limit on Browns Lane and the speed limit on one section of said roadway is 30MPH and on another section is 40MPH; and

WHEREAS, the Committee has determined that the appropriate speed limit on Browns Lane should be 40MPH, and

WHEREAS, the Committee has further determined that the following stop signs need to be added:

1. Stop signs should be added on both sides of Pleasant Grove Road where it intersects with Pleasant View Drive.
2. A stop sign should be added on the south end of Kitchen Street where it intersects with South Bridge Street.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS THAT:

1. The speed limit shall be increased on Browns Lane to 40MPH.
2. Stop signs shall be added on Pleasant Grove Road and Kitchen Street.
3. That the Street Department is authorized to place the appropriate signs at the above locations.