



Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE CHAPTER 10 ARTICLE I SECTION 10 OF THE JONESBORO CODE OF ORDINANCES TO ADD SUBSECTION 13 PROVIDING FOR GUIDELINES ON THE HANDLING, DISPLAYING, OR GIVING AWAY OF ANIMALS IN THE CITY OF JONESBORO

WHEREAS, the City of Jonesboro desires to ensure the safety of both its citizens and visitors as well as any animals within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas desires to clarify the rules and regulations pertaining to the selling, giving away, handling or displaying of any animals within the city limits, as well as any animal activities, shows, or rides within the city.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS:

SECTION ONE: That the following language be added to Chapter 10, Article I, Section 10 of the Jonesboro Code of Ordinances:

Sec. 10-13 - Other animal activities

- (a) Any vendor, group, person, or business wishing to charge a fee, seek monetary donations, or receive any financial benefit for any activities associated with animal rides, handling, or displaying any animal in the City of Jonesboro must possess and display, or make immediately available for inspection upon demand of any representative of the City of Jonesboro, proof of current liability insurance of no less than \$1,000,000 (one million dollars) AND possess written permission personally endorsed by the property owner or legally responsible party for the property on which they are located. Said endorsement must include a valid contact number for verification.
- (b) Any vendor, group, person or business involved in the selling or giving away of animals in a public location on property they do not own must possess written permission personally endorsed by the property owner or legally responsible party for the property on which they are located. Said

endorsement must include a valid contact number for verification.

- (c) The City of Jonesboro retains the right to stop any such activity should it be determined that there is not proper documentation or that a safety hazard or health concern exists to the public, or that the conditions place a clear risk to the animal(s) health and well-being.
- (d) Animal rescue and/or adoption organizations that have been verified by the City of Jonesboro are specifically excluded from the insurance requirements of this section.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 6TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2022.