

CITY OF GEORGETOWN

ORDINANCE NO. 18- 018

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER THREE OF THE GEORGETOWN CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATED TO ANIMALS.

SUMMARY

1. Amends section 3-25 of the Code of Ordinances, which sets forth the requirements for confinement and control of animals; provides that, when outside of the owner's or handler's premises, owners shall maintain control of dogs via use of a leash, portable pet carrier or other humane physical restraint; provides that dogs running within a public dog park, under owner supervision, are deemed in compliance with the Ordinance.
2. Provides for repeal of inconsistent ordinances, severability of provisions and an effective date upon passage and publication.

The full text of Ordinance 18-018 is available for examination in the City Clerk's Office, 100 North Court Street, Georgetown, Kentucky 40324 or at www.georgetownky.gov.

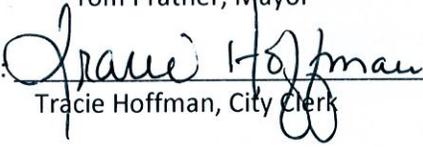
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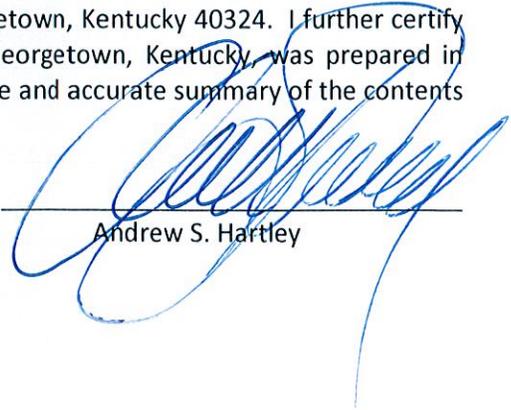
APPROVED: _____


Tom Prather, Mayor

ATTEST: _____


Tracie Hoffman, City Clerk

I, Andrew S. Hartley, hereby certify I am an Attorney licensed to practice law in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. My office is located at 100 North Court Street, Georgetown, Kentucky 40324. I further certify the foregoing Summary of Ordinance 18-018, of the City of Georgetown, Kentucky, was prepared in accordance with the requirements of KRS 83A.060(9) and is a true and accurate summary of the contents of said Ordinance.



Andrew S. Hartley

CITY OF GEORGETOWN, KENTUCKY

ORDINANCE NO. 18-018

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER THREE OF THE GEORGETOWN CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATED TO ANIMALS.

SPONSOR: Council Member Connie Tackett

NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City of Georgetown, Kentucky:

ONE

Section 3-25 of the Georgetown Code of Ordinances, entitled "Confinement and control of animals required," is amended as follows.

(a) Dogs running at large: No dog shall be permitted to run at large, except under the immediate control of its owner or handler. Keeping a dog under the immediate control of its owner, handler or other person in charge of the animal shall be accomplished in one (1) of the following ways:

(1) Confined within an enclosure that complies with the requirements below;

(2) Firmly secured by means of a collar, chain or other device so that it cannot stray from the premises on which it is secured. Securing a dog by collar, chain or other device is further governed by subsection 3-28(f), below, which phases out the use of chains and ropes, other than as leashes; or

(3) If off of the owner's or handler's premises, the animal shall be subject to the person's immediate control ~~[, whether by leash, command or other humane device]~~ by means of a leash, portable pet carrier or other humane physical restraint.

(4) Provided that the owner or handler of the dog is on the premises, a dog running within the confines of a public dog park shall be considered in compliance with this section.

(b) Proper enclosures for canines:

(1) Enclosures for canines, adult and juvenile, shall be a fence or structure of sufficient height and construction to prevent the animal from leaving the owner's property. The fence or structure must be in good repair and fit to ground level or a fabricated structure that prevents the animal from digging out. Gates and doors must fit properly and must be locked or secured by a latch that prevents the animal from opening the gate or door.

(2) Property enclosed by a buried wire which produces a signal received by a device attached to a collar worn by canine which prevents the animal from leaving the property of the owner

will be considered a proper enclosure, provided the device and signal are working and the animal does not leave the property unrestrained. Such property must be clearly marked with a sign and the sign must be posted next to the driveway or entry to the property. This type of enclosure must contain proper shelter from the weather for the animal.

(c) Female dogs and cats in heat to be confined (related to dogs, KRS 258.255): Every female dog or cat in heat shall be confined in a building or secure enclosure in a manner that prevents the animal from coming into contact with another animal, except for a planned breeding. For the purpose of this regulation, an underground fence system is not a secure enclosure.

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If any portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unlawful, such portion shall be deemed a separate provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

THREE

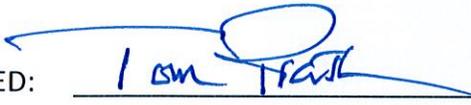
All prior ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are repealed.

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This Ordinance shall become effective upon passage and publication.

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