

ORDINANCE NO. _____, SERIES 2018

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 91 OF THE LOUISVILLE METRO CODE OF ORDINANCES (“LMCO”) TO ADD AN ADDITIONAL SUBSECTION TO THE DEFINITION “RESTRAINT.” (AS AMENDED)

SPONSORED BY: COUNCIL MEMBER FOWLER

WHEREAS, various subspecies of the porcine species, to include varieties of pot-bellied pigs and other domestic pigs, continue to be of interest to residents of Louisville/Jefferson County; and

WHEREAS, Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government (“Louisville Metro”) finds it will serve the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens and animals of Jefferson County to amend Chapter 91 of the Louisville Metro Code of Ordinances (“LMCO”) to provide clarification on how various porcine species are to be maintained and cared for within Jefferson County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I: The Council hereby amends LMCO § 91.001 to include the following definitions:

LIVESTOCK. Cattle, sheep, ~~swine~~, goats, horses, llamas, buffaloes, or any other animals of the bovine, ovine, porcine, lagomorph, caprine, or equine species, deer and elk, whose regulatory requirements are under KRS Chapters 150 and 246, as well as poultry, ratites, and cervine, that are privately owned and raised in a confined area for breeding stock food, fiber, and other products.

RESTRAINT.

(5) All livestock weighing more than 40 pounds, except horses, stallions, colts, geldings, mares, ponies, miniature horses, mules, jacks, jennies, goats, kids and sheep, and porcine species, must be kept on tracts or lots of at least .5 acres or more.

(89) All porcine must weigh less than 200 pounds and measure to a height of no more than 22 inches. If upon sight inspection MAS determines a porcine may exceed the specified weight and/or height requirements, the owner of the porcine in question will be responsible for supplying MAS with certification from an approved establishment verifying the weight and/or height. All porcine species must be kept on tracts or lots of at least .5 acres or more, unless a tract or lot is on less than .5 acres and only houses three or less porcine. No more than seven porcine may be quartered outdoors on an individual tract, lot or parcel, or dwelling unit, (as defined in the Land Development Code), which is more than .5 acres but less than two acres and has on such property any building or structure containing a residential use. All porcine shall be kept in a fence or structure of sufficient height and construction to prevent the animal(s) from leaving the owner's property. The fence or structure must be in good repair. All gates or doors to the fence or structure shall fit properly and shall be locked or secured by a latch. Porcine associated with an agricultural use shall not be subject to the restraint requirement as set forth herein.

(910) For purposes of this chapter, the term "lawful hunting activities" contained in KRS 258.265(3) shall be deemed to include the training of hunting dogs, including field trials.

SECTION II: This Ordinance shall take effect ninety (90) days from the date of its passage and approval. All porcine registered with MAS within this ninety (90) day window shall be grandfathered in for purposes of their current height and weight and number owned per tract or lot of land.

H. Stephen Ott
Metro Council Clerk

David James
President of the Council

Greg Fischer
Mayor

Approval Date

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Michael J. O'Connell
Jefferson County Attorney

By: _____

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