

## **ORDINANCE # 2000 - 01**

AN ORDINANCE TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND PROMOTE THE PUBLIC WELFARE OF THE CITY OF WELLS, TEXAS, BY ESTABLISHING A POLICY REGARDING THE RAISING OF POULTRY, FOWL OR HOGS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS.

### **I. KEEPING HOG PENS**

It shall be unlawful for any person to keep any hog including but not limited to Vietnamese Pot Bellied Pigs or any hog pen within the City limits. It is provided, however, that this section shall not prevent the keeping of any hog pen maintained in a sanitary condition if such hog pen was in existence within the City limits on the effective date of this section and said pen does not house and/or contain more than three (3) animals. In addition this section shall not prevent the keeping of hogs within the City limits for school related FFA projects or during any fair or stock show held in compliance with all applicable City ordinances and state laws.

### **II. KEEPING OF POULTRY AND FOWL**

It shall be unlawful for any person or other entity to feed, breed, keep, maintain or harbor for any length of time, whatsoever, any chickens, gamecocks, turkeys, guineas or other poultry or fowl in any lot, pen, brooder house, hatchery, chicken or gamecock poultry house, building or other enclosure within the City limits upon any property where such poultry or fowl are being kept and raised for commercial use or sale. This section shall not prevent the keeping of poultry or fowl for private use or consumption in a pen or other enclosure maintained in a sanitary condition, if said pen or enclosure was in existence within the City limits on the effective date of this section.

### **III. SANITATION**

For any activity permitted by this regulation, it shall be the duty of any person or other entity feeding, breeding, keeping, maintaining or harboring any poultry, fowl or hogs in the City limits to keep the enclosure, pen, coop, roost or other place maintained in a clean and sanitary condition.

### **IV.**

If any part of this ordinance is or should be held invalid for any reason then that fact shall not invalidate the entire ordinance, but the balance thereof shall remain in full force and effect.

### **V.**

All other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

## VI. PENALTY

Any person or entity violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$500.00 for each conviction. Each day such violation shall continue, or be permitted to continue, shall be deemed a separate offense. Since this ordinance has a penalty for violation, it shall become effective upon its publication in the newspaper.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 12th day of June, 2000.

  
Mayor

ATTEST:

  
City Secretary

AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE # 2000-01

AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLS, TEXAS COUNTY OF CHEROKEE, TEXAS. EXERCISING THEIR DISCRETION TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 2000-01.

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BY ADDING/REPLACING THE FOLLOWING:

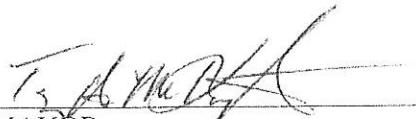
SECTION I ADD THAT IF A STUDENT HAS A SHOW ANIMAL INSIDE THE CITY LIMITS OF WELLS THE PARENT THE FFA STUDENT WILL NEED TO CONTACT CITY HALL TO REPORT THAT THEY HAVE A SHOW ANIMAL AND THE TYPE OF ANIMAL BEING SHOWED.

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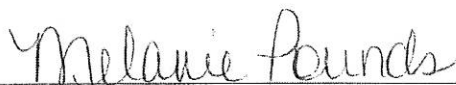
BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL, IN AND FOR THE CITY WELLS, CHEROKEE COUNTY, TEXAS.

ON THIS 12<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JUNE 2023, THE CITY COUNCIL VOTED TO AMEND ORDINANCE # 2000-01 BY CHANGING THE DESCRIPTION OF THE ORDINANCE AS LISTED ABOVE.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 12<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JUNE 2023.

  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
CITY SECRETARY

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BY ADDING THE FOLLOWING TO SECTION I:

IF A STUDENT HAS A SHOW ANIMAL INSIDE THE CITY LIMITS OF WELLS THE PARENT OF THE FFA STUDENT MUST CONTACT CITY HALL TO REPORT THAT THEY HAVE A SHOW ANIMAL AND THE TYPE OF ANIMAL BEING KEPT INSIDE THE CITY LIMITS.

BY STRIKING THE FOLLOWING FROM SECTION I:

THIS SECTION SHALL NOT PREVENT THE KEEPING OF POULTRY OR FOWL FOR PRIVATE USE OR CONSUMPTION IN A PEN OR OTHER ENCLOSURE MAINTAINED IN A SANITARY CONDITION.

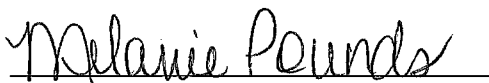
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BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL, IN AND FOR THE CITY WELLS, CHEROKEE COUNTY, TEXAS.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 11<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER 2023.

  
Mayor

ATTEST:

  
City Secretary