



CITY OF GREENVILLE
NORTH CAROLINA

CERTIFICATION OF THE CITY CLERK

I hereby certify that I am the duly appointed and acting City Clerk of the City of Greenville, North Carolina, and as such I am the legal custodian of the Official Minutes and Records of the City of Greenville, North Carolina. I further attest and certify that the attached is a true copy of the Ordinance No. 15-055, which was duly adopted by the City Council at their October 5, 2015 meeting.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and the official seal of the City of Greenville, North Carolina on this the 8th day of October, 2015.



A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Carol L. Barwick", is written over a horizontal line.

Carol L. Barwick, CMC
City Clerk

ORDINANCE NO. 15-055
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE GREENVILLE CITY CODE
RELATING TO THE DIVISION OF ANIMAL CONTROL AND ANIMAL TRAPS BEING
MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA, DOES
HEREBY ORDAIN:

Section 1. That Section 12-2-37 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Greenville is hereby amended by rewriting said section to read as follows:

SEC. 12-2-37 ANIMAL TRAPS AVAILABLE TO PUBLIC.

(A) The Division of Animal Control is authorized to make animal traps available to members of the general public under the conditions stated in subsection (C) of this section.

(B) Animal traps may be checked out to citizens only upon written application to the Division of Animal Control, on a form provided by the Division of Animal Control. The application process shall include acknowledgment of program guidelines, to include a copy of this section, and any additional training materials as deemed necessary by the Division of Animal Control. Organizations or individuals wishing to engage in Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) shall receive training provided by the Division of Animal Control and ensure the following requirements are completed for each feral cat trapped:

1. Each cat must be trapped using humane trapping techniques. Personal traps used for TNR purposes must be inspected and approved by the Division of Animal Control prior to use.
2. Cats must be spayed or neutered as appropriate, vaccinated for rabies, Feline Viral Rhinotracheitis (FVRCP), Calicivirus and Panleukopenia, have their ear tipped, and be returned to the location where trapped initially.
3. Cats entering the TNR program must be documented for tracking purposes by the TNR care giver using the Greenville Animal Control TNR Tracking Form. The veterinarian performing the procedures outlined in this section must sign the tracking form. The completed forms must be turned in to the Division of Animal Control for review and statistical purposes.
4. The individual or organization engaging in TNR shall be responsible for all costs and expenses while engaging in these activities.

(C) Animal traps provided by the city may be used only under the following conditions:

- (1) The animal trap or traps may only be used to trap wild or stray animals.

(2) All animals trapped must be released at the location where the animal was trapped, or delivered or turned over to the Division of Animal Control. All traps must be checked at least once every 12 hours and trapped animals released or delivered as required in this subsection.

(3) Traps may be checked out for a one-week period which may be extended for a second week if the Division of Animal Control believes it to be in the best public interest to extend the check-out period.

(4) Before a trap is set, the Division of Animal Control will ensure that a new application is completed by the person requesting the trap and will provide written notification to adjacent property owners/renters. In cases where property owners fail to respond or the property appears to be vacant, the animal control officers will post a notice on the property by way of a door hanger at least 24 hours in advance of a trap being set.

(5) Persons who check out and set traps must give express consent for Animal Control Officers to enter their premises to verify the location, manner of operation, and intended or actual use of traps.

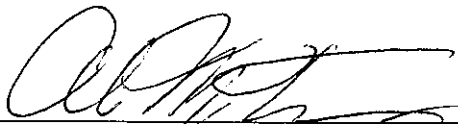
(D) Failure to comply with the requirements of this section shall be grounds for immediate revocation of the privilege of using a city-owned animal trap, or participation in any Trap Neuter and Return Program in addition to civil or criminal penalties as stated in section 12-2-43.

Section 2 All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

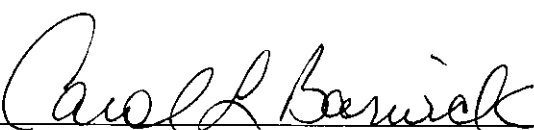
Section 3. Any part or provision of this ordinance found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be in violation of the Constitution or laws of the United States or North Carolina is hereby deemed severable and shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions of the ordinance.

Section 4. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

This the 5th day of October, 2015.


Allen M. Thomas, Mayor

ATTEST:


Carol L. Barwick, City Clerk

