MINIATURE SWINE ORDINANCE



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Background

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- Chapter 6 of the Code of Ordinances prohibits pigs in the City Limits, unless property is zoned agricultural-open space or agricultural-residential
- Miniature pigs are bred specifically to attain a maximum height of 20 inches (at the shoulder) and a maximum weight of 150 lbs
 - Very intelligent and can be housetrained, trained to walk on a leash, and respond to basic commands much like a dog
 - Average life span is 15-18 years
- Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) protects the use of service animals
 - Only dogs are recognized as service animals; under certain circumstances miniature horses may be protected under the ADA
 - Support animals are not protected by ADA

Draft Ordinance

- □ Allows miniature swine in the City Limits
 - Maximum weight of 150 pounds; maximum height of 20-inches
- Maximum of two miniature swine allowed per household or business
- □ All swine must be either spayed or neutered
 - No propagation or breeding of miniature swine
- Vaccination and microchip requirements
- □ Sanitary requirements; excrement cleared on daily basis
- Swine permitted outdoors, in a secure area, for exercise and elimination only; shall not exceed one hour per occurrence

Required Equipment

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- Appropriate and specialized equipment required to ensure the safety of both Animal Services personnel and the animal(s) when handling/transportation of swine is required
 - Mechanical lift will be required on truck(s)
 - Steel cage specifically for the use of swine



