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- Jane Goodman**
- Ruth Gray**
- Susan Hardy**
- Justin Tisdale**

NOTICE OF MEETING

MEETING OF: **SAFETY COMMITTEE**

CALLED BY: **CHANELL ELSTON, CHAIR**

DATE: **JUNE 28, 2021**

LOCATION: **WEBEX VIRTUAL MEETING (see info above)**

TIME: **6:00 P.M.**

RE: **Ord. 16-20 FEEDING OF WILDLIFE**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

JUSTIN TISDALE
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MICHAEL LOGRASSO, LAW DIRECTOR

CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO

ORDINANCE NO.: 16-20
INTRODUCED BY: Frank
REQUESTED BY: Hardy

September 14, 2020

AN ORDINANCE

CREATING SECTION 505.22 "FEEDING OF WILDLIFE AND STRAY ANIMALS PROHIBITED" OF CHAPTER 505 "ANIMALS AND FOWL" OF PART FIVE "GENERAL OFFENSES CODE" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO.

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of South Euclid desires to regulate and abate the nuisances caused by the feeding of certain wildlife and stray animals in the City of South Euclid, Ohio.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of South Euclid, Ohio:

Section 1: That Section 505.22 "Feeding of Wildlife and Stray Animals Prohibited" of Chapter 505 "Animals and Fowl" of Part Five "General Offenses Code" of the Codified Ordinances of the City of South Euclid, Ohio be hereby created to read as follows:

SECTION 505.22 – FEEDING OF WILDLIFE AND STRAY ANIMALS PROHIBITED.

(a) No person shall provide food for dogs, cats, deer, geese, ducks, raccoons, fowl, or other wild animals or wildlife by setting such food out on any public property or within a fifteen-yard radius of any private residence or public roadway. This section does not apply to animals owned by a person or songbirds fed from an elevated stationary feeder, which is at least sixty inches from ground level and built of such design and construction as to minimize the potential for food and/or seed from spilling or dropping to the ground.

(b) No person shall purposely or knowingly feed, cause to be fed, or provide food for wild white-tail deer in any location where undomesticated animals can access such food, whether by hand or through ground-feeding stations, salt licks or other established mechanisms to feed wild white-tail deer, on lands publicly or privately owned.

(c) This section shall not apply to a law enforcement officer, game officer or conservation officer enforcing the laws of the State of Ohio or any local ordinances, nor to anyone officially authorized by the City to engage in an animal control program.

(d) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree for the first offense and a misdemeanor of the first degree for each subsequent offense. A separate offense shall be deemed committed on each day on or during which a violation of this ordinance occurs.

Section 2: That is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its Committees on or after November 25, 1975, that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 3: That this Ordinance is deemed to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety within the City and therefore should be adopted at the earliest possible time. Wherefore this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law and upon signature of the Mayor.

Passed this _____ day of _____, 2020

Joe Frank, President of Council

Attest:

Approved:

Keith A. Benjamin, Clerk of Council

Georgine Welo, Mayor

Approved as to form:

Michael P. Lograsso, Director of Law