

ORDINANCE NO. 94-1 840.1

**AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE KEEPING OF LIVESTOCK
WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF SMITHS GROVE, KENTUCKY.**

WHEREAS: Certain confusion has arisen concerning the interpretation of the City's present Ordinances relating to the keeping of animals within the City of Smiths Grove, and

WHEREAS: The City desires to enact a new Ordinance to alleviate such confusion.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SMITHS GROVE AS FOLLOWS:

1. **DEFINITION:** Livestock as used herein shall mean and include cattle, horses, mules, colts, jennets, cows, bulls, hogs, goats, sheep, jacks, fowl and all livestock of any description kept or raised for use, pleasure and profit. Domestic dogs, cats, rabbits and caged birds, are specifically excluded from this definition and this Ordinance shall not apply thereto.

2. **HOGS AND GOATS:** The raising of hogs, the maintenance of pig pens, and the raising of goats within the City limits is strictly prohibited and is hereby declared to be a nuisance and a menace to public health.

3. **ANIMALS RUNNING AT LARGE:** It shall be unlawful for any person to permit livestock to run at large within the City of Smiths Grove.

4. A. **PROXIMITY TO RESIDENCES, ETC.:** It shall be unlawful for any person to keep livestock of any kind within 100 feet of a residence, school or church in the City.

B. **MAXIMUM NUMBER:** It shall be unlawful for any person to keep more than two (2) head of livestock on any city lot within the City even though the lot is more than 100 feet from a residence, school or church.

C. **LARGE TRACTS:** On any lot contiguous with a city lot containing at least four (4) acres, the owner may keep two (2) head of livestock for each acre contained in such lot. Any lot or tract larger than ten (10) acres, shall not be restricted to this same formula (i.e. two (2) head per acre), but shall be restricted to such an extent as to be reasonable and not create a public nuisance.

5. **ANNEXATION:** Any person, firm or corporation that is otherwise maintaining, raising or keeping livestock at the time the legislative body acts on an ordinance proposing the annexation of such property, after the land or property is annexed into the City, such person shall be permitted to continue its livestock operation upon the land notwithstanding the provisions of this ordinance.

6. **EFFECTIVE DATE OF ORDINANCE:** Upon the second reading, adoption and publication of this Ordinance, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect.

7. **CONFLICTS:** All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed.

8. **PENALTY:** Any person who violates any provision of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a violation, and shall be fined not less than \$100.00 nor more than \$500.00 for each offense or violation. Each day the violation is permitted to exist shall constitute a separate offense.

This Ordinance introduced 10-24-94, 1994,
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APPROVED: James R. Gilley
JAMES R. GILLEY, MAYOR

ATTEST: Dorothy J. Neal
DOROTHY J. NEAL, CITY CLERK