

REQUESTED BY:
SHAFFER

LAW DEPARTMENT
DRAFT No. 0404

TITLE

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING THE DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER WITHIN THE CITY OF WARREN, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCE NO. 13256/2023

WHEREAS, there exists a need in the City of Warren, Ohio, for the establishment of the position of Animal Control Officer, and the establishment of the duties and powers of said position; NOW THEREFORE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Warren, State of Ohio:

Section 1: That, effective upon passage of this ordinance, the Animal Control Officer shall hold the position as established by this ordinance and shall be appointed by the Director of Public Service and Safety, and the Animal Control Officer shall not be on the classified list of the Division of Police, nor be eligible for participation in the Police Pension Fund.

Section 2: That, effective upon passage of this ordinance, the Animal Control Officer shall receive, and be entitled to receive, health care insurance coverage, health care insurance benefits, life insurance coverage, life insurance benefits, and other employment benefits in accordance with the benefits currently established in the City of Warren, Ohio's collective bargaining agreement with AFSCME, Ohio Council 8, Local No. 74.

Section 3: That it shall be the duty of the Animal Control Officer, and the Animal Control Officer shall have the authority, to enforce the provisions of Sections 505 and 506 of the Codified Ordinances of the City and applicable laws of the State, relative to the licensing, impounding, boarding, and disposition of animals within the limits of the municipality; however, no police or other officer of this City, charged with the responsibility of enforcing the ordinances of this City and the laws of this State, shall be relieved of such responsibility.

Section 4: That the Animal Control Officer shall be provided with a badge designating the office, and such other uniform, vehicle(s), and equipment necessary to carry out said duties; however, any vehicle(s) used for picking up and impounding animals shall be clearly marked on both sides with the following: "Animal Control".

Section 5: That, in the exercise of these duties, the Animal Control Officer is hereby authorized to issue, on a form provided by the City, a citation to any person found by the officer to be in violation of Sections 505 and 506 of the City of Warren, Ohio's Codified Ordinances and the applicable laws of the State.

Section 6: That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, welfare, and safety, and for the further reason that the position of the Animal Control Officer, and the duties and responsibilities of said position of the City of Warren, Ohio may be more greatly ensured without undue delay. WHEREFORE, this Ordinance shall go into immediate effect.

Passed in Council this 13TH day of September, 2023.

SIGNED: [Signature] ATTEST: [Signature]
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL CLERK

FILED WITH THE MAYOR: 9-13-2023

DATE APPROVED: [Signature] 9-13-2023

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MAYOR, CITY OF WARREN, OHIO