

ORDINANCE NO. 552

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON, RELATING TO ANIMAL CONTROL, AMENDING UNIVERSITY PLACE MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE 8; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, there has been an increase in the incidences of animals being at large on public grounds, including specifically the Chambers Bay property; and

WHEREAS, University Place Municipal Code 8.05.010 currently prohibits animals from being at large in any park, or to enter any public beach, pond, fountain, or stream therein, or upon any public playground or school ground or in any public building; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to extend this prohibition to include any publicly-owned property, regardless of whether or not it is a designated park;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON, DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 8.05.010 Animals at large on public grounds - Amended. Chapter 8.050.010, "Animals at large on public grounds" to the University Place Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:


8.05.010 Animals at large on public grounds.

It is unlawful for the owner or person having control or custody of any animals to allow such animals to be at large on any publicly-owned property, or in any park, or to enter any public beach, pond, fountain, or stream therein, or upon any public playground or school ground or in any public building, except in designated off-leash dog areas. Any animal illegally entering or trespassing upon such property may be seized and impounded. A violation of this section, if enforced via a civil infraction, shall carry a penalty of \$25.00.

Section 2. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

Section 3. Effective Date. A summary of this Ordinance consisting of its title shall be published in the official newspaper of the City. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force five (5) days after publication.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON JUNE 8, 2009.


Linda Bird, Mayor

ATTEST:


Amy Genetia, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Janean Parker, City Attorney

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