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AMENDED
September 4, 2018

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Legislative Session 2018, Legislative Day No. 33

Bill No. 70-18

Introduced by Mr. Grasso

By the County Council, July 2, 2018

Introduced and first read on July 2, 2018
Public Hearing set for and held on September 4, 2018
Public Hearing on AMENDED bill set for and held on September 17, 2018
Bill Expires October 5, 2018

By Order: JoAnne Gray, Administrative Officer

A BILL ENTITLED

- 1 AN ORDINANCE concerning: Animal Control and Zoning – Miniature Pigs in Residential
2 Districts
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4 FOR the purpose of defining the term “miniature pig”; requiring a license for the keeping
5 of miniature pigs; requiring certain shelters for miniature pigs; allowing miniature pigs
6 on residential lots of certain sizes with certain conditions; providing for the termination
7 of this Ordinance; and generally relating to animal control and zoning.
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9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments: § 12-4-801(d)
10 Anne Arundel County Code (2005, as amended)(as amended by Bill No. 50-18)
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12 BY renumbering: §§ 12-4-711 through 12-4-718 to be 12-4-712 through 12-4-719,
13 respectively; and 18-4-104(b) to be § 18-4-104(c), respectively
14 Anne Arundel County Code (2005, as amended)
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16 BY renumbering and repealing and reenacting, with amendments: § 18-4-104(a) to be §
17 18-4-104(b)
18 Anne Arundel County Code (2005, as amended)
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20 BY adding: §§ 12-4-711; and 18-4-104(a)
21 Anne Arundel County Code (2005, as amended)

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate new matter added to existing law.
[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.
Captions and taglines in **bold** in this bill are catchwords and are not law.
Underlining indicates amendments to bill.
~~Strikeover~~ indicates matter stricken from bill by amendment.

1 SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the County Council of Anne Arundel County, Maryland,*
2 That §§ 12-4-711 through 12-4-718; and 18-4-104(b) of the Anne Arundel County Code
3 (2005, as amended) is are hereby renumbered to be §§ 12-4-712 through 12-4-719,
4 respectively; and 18-4-104(c), respectively.

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6 SECTION 2. *And be it further enacted,* That Section(s) of the Anne Arundel County
7 Code (2005, as amended)(and as amended by Bill No. 50-18) read as follows:

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9 **ARTICLE 12. PUBLIC SAFETY**

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11 **TITLE 4. ANIMAL CONTROL**

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13 **12-4-711. Miniature Pig License.**

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15 (A) **Scope.** THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION APPLY TO THE KEEPING OF MINIATURE
16 PIGS IN THE COUNTY, EXCLUDING THE CITY OF ANNAPOLIS. A MINIATURE PIG LICENSE
17 PERMITS THE OWNER TO KEEP A MINIATURE PIG AS A PET AND NOT FOR CONSUMPTION.

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19 (B) **Generally.** A PERSON MAY NOT KEEP A MINIATURE PIG AS A PET ON A LOT LESS
20 THAN 40,000 SQUARE FEET WITHOUT A MINIATURE PIG LICENSE FROM THE COUNTY.
21 UNLESS SPECIFICALLY EXEMPTED BY LAW OR VARIANCE. ALL ZONING REQUIREMENTS
22 SET FORTH IN § 18-4-104 OF THIS CODE MUST BE MET BEFORE A LICENSE MAY BE ISSUED
23 UNDER THIS SECTION.

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25 **12-4-801. Animals outdoors.**

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27 (d) **Shelter for animals outdoors other than dogs.** A shelter for any animal other than
28 a dog shall be maintained in accordance with the following provisions.

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30 (1) Horses, ponies, and goats shall have an enclosure with at least three solid walls
31 and a solid roof.

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33 (2) Buildings and sheds used for the housing of animals shall be lighted and
34 ventilated; provide protection from the weather; and be kept clean, free of any debris that
35 could endanger the animal, and in good repair at all times.

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37 (3) Manure shall be removed from the buildings, sheds, and coops daily.

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39 (4) An enclosure where animals are kept shall be graded and drained so as to keep
40 the surface reasonably dry.

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42 (5) Garbage, fecal matter, or any debris that could endanger the animal may not be
43 placed or allowed to remain in the enclosure.

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45 (6) An open drain may not be allowed to run through the enclosure.

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47 (7) Flies shall be controlled in the enclosure.

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49 (8) Coops for chickens and ducks shall have four walls and a roof, be ventilated,
50 constructed to be raised two feet from the ground, have a minimum of three square feet per

1 chicken, have secure door or gate closures, attached bottoms or anti-digging devices to
 2 prevent escape, and be built in such a manner to prevent access from predators and
 3 withstand weather.

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 5 (9) Outside enclosures for chickens or ducks shall have a minimum of ten square
 6 feet per chicken.

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 8 (10) MINIATURE PIGS, AS THAT TERM IS DEFINED IN § 18-4-104, SHALL BE PROVIDED
 9 WITH SHELTER THAT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION (B).

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 11 **ARTICLE 18. ZONING**

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 13 **TITLE 4. RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS**

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 15 **18-4-104. Pets; livestock or fowl.**

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 17 (A) **Definitions.** FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, “MINIATURE PIG” MEANS A TYPE OF
 18 SWINE THAT IS LESS THAN 22 INCHES TALL AT THE SHOULDER WHEN FULLY GROWN,
 19 INCLUDING A POT-BELLIED PIG.

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 21 [(a)] (B) **Pets.** The keeping of pets for other than commercial purposes is allowed.

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 23 (1) The keeping of cats is limited to no more than nine per household.

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 25 (2) The keeping of dogs shall be in accordance with the following schedule:

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Number of Dogs	Minimum Lot Size
1 to 4	No requirement
5 to 6	25,000 square feet
7 or more	40,000 square feet, plus 5,000 square feet for each additional dog above 7

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 28 (3) THE KEEPING OF MINIATURE PIGS AS A PET SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH
 29 THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE:

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NUMBER OF MINIATURE PIGS	MINIMUM LOT SIZE
1	6,000 SQUARE FEET
2 OR MORE	40,000 SQUARE FEET PER ANIMAL UNIT AS THAT TERM IS DEFINED IN SUBSECTION (C)

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 32 (4) MINIATURE PIGS SHALL BE KEPT WITHIN A FENCED AREA.

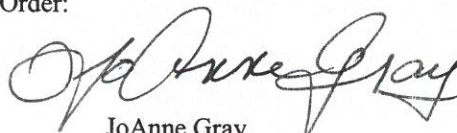
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 34 SECTION 3. And be it further enacted, That the provisions of this Ordinance shall
 35 remain in effect until January 1, 2019, after which all provisions of this Ordinance shall
 36 stand repealed and be of no further force and effect and with no further action required by
 37 the County Council, except that any miniature pigs licensed during the effective period of
 38 this Ordinance shall be deemed in compliance with Articles 12 and 18 of the County Code,
 39 so long as the miniature pig remains at the address for which the license was issued and
 40 the licensee complies with the terms of the license as issued.

1 SECTION 3 ~~4~~. *And be it further enacted*, That the provisions of this Ordinance shall
2 take effect 45 days from the date it becomes law.

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED: September 4, 2018

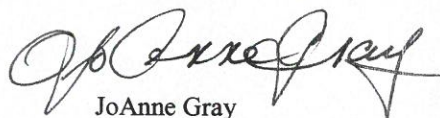
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By Order:



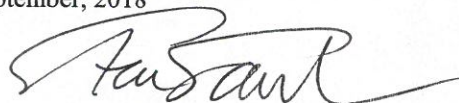
JoAnne Gray
Administrative Officer

PRESENTED to the County Executive for his approval this 18th day of September, 2018



JoAnne Gray
Administrative Officer

APPROVED AND ENACTED this 26th day of September, 2018

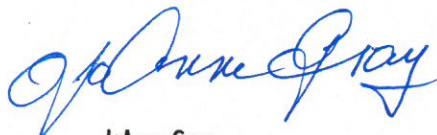


Steven R. Schuh
County Executive

EFFECTIVE DATE:

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF BILL NO.
70-18. THE ORIGINAL OF WHICH IS RETAINED IN THE FILES
OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL.



JoAnne Gray
Administrative Officer