

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, TO
AMEND TITLE 6 OF THE COLUMBUS CITY CODE, ANIMAL CARE SERVICES**

WHEREAS, Indiana Code 36-1-3 et. seq. confers upon units of government within the State of Indiana such powers as necessary or desirable to conduct the affairs of local government;

WHEREAS, Indiana Code 36-4-6-18 authorizes the Common Council of the City of Columbus, Indiana to pass such ordinances, orders, resolutions and motions as may be necessary and proper for the governmental unit to fulfill and satisfy the responsibilities and duties of said governmental unit; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Common Council to amend the Animal Care Services municipal code to add clarifying language which reflects industry best practices, and add safety language to care for and protect animals, citizens and residents of the City of Columbus;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section I: Certain chapter of Title 6 are hereby amended to add section 6.08.280 and read as follows:

City of Columbus Municipal Code

TITLE 6

ANIMALS

Chapter 6.08

ANIMAL CONTROL REGULATIONS GENERALLY

6.08.280 Restrictions on the Sale of Animals and Penalty

- A. No pet shop shall sell, deliver, offer for sale, barter, auction, give away, or otherwise transfer or dispose of cats, rabbits, or dogs. Nothing in this section shall prohibit pet shops from collaborating with Animal Care Services or Rescue Groups to offer space for such entities to showcase adoptable dogs, rabbits and cats provided the pet shop shall not have any ownership interest in the animals offered for adoption and shall not receive a fee for providing space for the adoption of any of these animals.
- B. A pet shop that violates this section shall be subject to a fine of \$500. Each individual animal shall count as a violation of this section and is a separate fine per animal.

(Ord. 7 - 21)

Section II: All prior ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

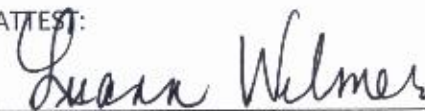
Section III: This Ordinance shall be in full force upon adoption by the Common Council of the City of Columbus, Indiana.

Adopted by the Common Council of the City of Columbus, Indiana this 6th day of April, 2021 at 6:12 o'clock P.M. by a vote of 5 ayes and 2 nays.



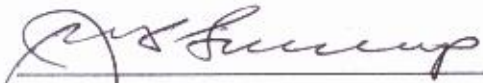
Presiding Officer

ATTEST:



Luann Welmer
Clerk Treasurer of the City of Columbus, Indiana

Presented to me, the Mayor of Columbus, Indiana, the 6th day of April, 2021 at 6:13 o'clock p.m.



James D. Lienhoop
Mayor of the City of Columbus, Indiana