

ORDINANCE _____:

ORDINANCE NO. _93-15

TO FURTHER IMPLEMENT THE AUTHORITY AND DUTIES OF THE HEALTH OFFICER AND POLICE DEPARTMENT WITH REFERENCE TO NUISANCES WITHIN THE TOWN OF GORDON, ALABAMA.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of Gordon, Alabama, as follows:

Section 1: It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation, to keep any domestic or farm animal or fowl, including cats and dogs, within the corporate limits of the Town of Gordon, Alabama, in any such manner as will be, or may become a menace to public health, or in any such manner as to constitute a public or private nuisance due to obnoxious odors or noise.

Section 2: It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to permit their premises, whether vacant or not, to accumulate a growth of weeds, bottles, tin cans, brush, trash, rubbish or anything that will, or is likely to, constitute a health hazard or nuisance by raising or harboring mosquitoes, flies, rats, fleas, snakes, or the decaying of such accumulations so as to create an obnoxious odor.

Section 3: It shall be unlawful for any persons to have on their property three or more cars or other vehicles which are not operational and do not have a current license plate.

Section 4: Anyone or all of the unlawful acts defined in Sections 1 and 2 are hereby declared to be public nuisances per se, and should the owner or person in charge of any of the fowls or animals or the premises upon which the same are kept, or the premises upon which other insanitary conditions exist or premises where three or more vehicles without current license plates, fail to make said premises completely sanitary within ten days or remove vehicles mentioned in Section 3, after written notice by the Houston County Health Officer to do so, or should the owner or person in charge of the premises fail to remove the cause of the obnoxious odors or noises or cars or vehicles within ten days after written notice by the Chief of Police to do so, then such person, firm, or corporation shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not less than five (5) nor more than one hundred (100) dollars.

Section 5: Each day the owner or person in charge of any premises shall allow such insanitary conditions or nuisances to continue, after having received ten days written notice to abate same, shall constitute a separate offense, and upon conviction thereof such owner or person in charge shall be fined as herein provided.

Section 6: Should the owner or person in charge fail or refuse to clean off vacant lots, or other premises, or to remove insanitary conditions after receiving notice as herein provided, then the Town, at the discretion of the governing body may have such premises cleaned off, or remove such insanitary conditions at the expense of (the owner, and assess the cost of same as a lien against said property and proceed with the collection of such lien by due process

the owner, and assess the cost of same as a lien against said property and proceed with the collection of such lien by due process of law.

Section 7: This ordinance shall be cumulative in effect with respect to the authority and duty of the County Health Officer now provided in Code of Alabama 1975, Title 22. All parts of other ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 8: This ordinance is severable and each part thereof is hereby adopted separately. If for any reason any part of it is declared invalid, then the remaining parts shall remain in full force and effect.

Adopted this 12 day of October, 1993.

Effective date: November 22, 1993

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