

**ORDINANCE NO: 31-2022**

**INTRODUCED BY: MAYOR JAMES P. GRAVEN**

**AN ORDINANCE ENACTING SECTION 618.25 OF THE  
CODIFIED ORDINANCES TO PROVIDE FOR NUISANCE  
CONDITIONS AND FEEDING WILDLIFE AND STRAY  
ANIMALS PROHIBITED AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OLMSTED  
FALLS, CUYAHOGA COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO, THAT:**

**SECTION 1.** Section 618.25 of the Codified Ordinances entitled “Nuisance Conditions and Feeding Wildlife and Stray Animals Prohibited” is hereby enacted to read as follows:

**618.25 NUISANCE CONDITIONS AND FEEDING WILDLIFE AND  
STRAY ANIMALS PROHIBITED.**

- (a) No person shall keep or harbor any animal or fowl so as to create offensive odors or unsanitary conditions or otherwise create a menace to the health, comfort, or safety of the public.
- (b) No person shall provide for dogs, cats, feral cats, deer, geese, ducks, raccoons, fowl or other wildlife by setting such food out on any public property or within 100 feet of any private residence. This section shall not apply to animals owned by the person or to stationary bird feeders.
- (c) Any cat that is wild, strayed, or unowned shall be considered feral. Feral cats shall not be considered pets.
- (d) Whoever violates this section shall be guilty of a fourth degree misdemeanor and shall be subject to the penalty provided in Section 698.02.

**SECTION 2.** This Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

**SECTION 3.** This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the City of Olmsted Falls and its residents for the further reason that it is necessary to create sanitary conditions within the city without delay. Therefore, this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon the affirmative vote of not less than five (5) members elected to Council, and signature by the Mayor, or otherwise at the earliest time allowed by law.

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*Cornel Munteanu, Council President*

PASSED: \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
*James P. Graven, Mayor* \_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

APPROVED AS TO FORM: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Andrew D. Bemer, Director of Law*

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Angela Mancini, Clerk of Council*

First Reading: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Reading: \_\_\_\_\_

Third Reading: \_\_\_\_\_

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| Munteanu  | _____ | _____ |
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