

**TOWN OF HICKORY CREEK, TEXAS  
ORDINANCE NO. 2019-06-818**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HICKORY CREEK, TEXAS, AMENDING ARTICLE 2.03 DOGS AND CATS; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF PREMISES; PROVIDING FINDINGS; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENT TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING A CUMULATIVE REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR SAVINGS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PENALTY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; PROVIDING FOR ENGROSSMENT AND ENROLLMENT; AND PROVIDING AND EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Hickory Creek, Texas, is A Type A General Law municipality located in Denton County, Texas created in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Local Government Code and the Texas Constitution and operating pursuant to the enabling legislation of the State of Texas; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council is empowered under section 51.012 of the Local Government Code to adopt ordinances necessary for the government, interest, welfare, or good order of the municipality; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council does hereby find and determine that the adoption of this Ordinance is necessary for the government, interest, welfare and good order of the Town; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HICKORY CREEK, TEXAS:**

**SECTION 1.  
INCORPORATION OF PREMISES**

The above and foregoing premises are true and correct and are incorporated herein and made a part hereof for all purposes.

**SECTION 2.  
FINDINGS**

After due deliberations the Town Council has concluded that the adoption of this Ordinance is in the best interest of the Town of Hickory Creek, Texas and necessary for the government, interest, welfare, and good order of the Town.

**SECTION 3.**  
**AMENDMENTS**

3.01 That the Town of Hickory Creek Code of Ordinances, Article 2.03 Dogs and Cats; Section 2.03.003 Dog and Cat Waste is hereby created and shall read:

“An owner or handler shall promptly remove and sanitarilly dispose of feces produced from a dog or cat in his possession left on either (1) public property or (2) private property not owned by the owner or handler of the dog or cat.”

3.02 All other articles, chapters, sections, paragraphs, sentences, phrases and words are not amended but are hereby ratified and affirmed.

**SECTION 4.**  
**CUMULATIVE REPEALER CLAUSE**

This Ordinance shall be cumulative of all other Ordinances and shall not repeal any of the provisions of such Ordinances except for those instances where there are direct conflicts with the provisions of this Ordinance. Ordinances, or parts thereof, in force at the time this Ordinance shall take effect and that are inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent that they are inconsistent with this Ordinance. Provided, however, that any complaint, action, claim or lawsuit which has been initiated or has arisen under or pursuant to such other Ordinances on this date of adoption of this Ordinance shall continue to be governed by the provisions of such Ordinance and fo hat purpose the Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 5.**  
**SAVINGS CLAUSE**

All rights and remedies of the Town of Hickory Creek, Texas are expressly saved as to any and all violations of the provisions of any other ordinance affecting utility rates and fees which have secured at the time of the effective date of this ordinance; and, as to such accrued violations and all pending litigation, both civil and criminal, whether pending in court or not, under such ordinances same shall not be affected by this Ordinance but may be prosecuted until final disposition by the court.

**SECTION 6.**  
**SEVERABILITY**

The provisions of the Ordinance are severable. However, in the event this Ordinance or any procedure provided in this Ordinance becomes unlawful, or is declared or determined by a judicial, administrative or legislative authority exercising its jurisdiction to be excessive, unenforceable, void, illegal or otherwise inapplicable, in while in part, the remaining and lawful provisions shall be of full force and effect and the Town shall promptly promulgate new revised provisions in compliance with the authority’s decisions or enactment.

**SECTION 7.**  
**PENALTY**

If the governing body of the Town of Hickory Creek determines that a violation of this Ordinance has occurred, the Town of Hickory Creek may bring suit in a court of competent jurisdiction to enjoin the person, firm, partnership, corporation, or association from engaging in the prohibited activity.

Any person violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined, except as otherwise provided herein, in a sum not to exceed Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for each offense, and a separate offense shall be deemed committed upon each day during or on which a violation occurs or continues.

**SECTION 8.**  
**PUBLICATION CLAUSE**

The Town Secretary of the Town of Hickory Creek is hereby directed to publish in the Official newspaper of the Town of Hickory Creek, the Caption, Penalty Clause, and Effective Date clause of this Ordinance for two (2) days as required by Section 52.011 of the Texas Local Government Code.

**SECTION 9.**  
**ENGROSSMENT AND ENROLLMENT**

The Town Secretary of the Town of Hickory Creek is hereby directed to engross and enroll this Ordinance by copying the exact Caption, Penalty Clause, and Effective Date clause in the minutes of the Town Council of the Town of Hickory Creek and by filing this Ordinance in the Ordinance records of the Town.


**SECTION 10.**  
**EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Ordinance shall become effective from and after its date of passage and publication in accordance with law.

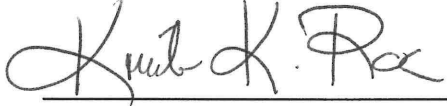
**AND IT IS SO ORDAINED.**

**PASSED AND APPROVED** by the Town Council of the Town of Hickory Creek, Texas this 18th day of June, 2019.



  
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Lynn C. Clark, Mayor  
Town of Hickory Creek, Texas

**ATTEST:**

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**Kristi Rogers, Town Secretary  
Town of Hickory Creek, Texas**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Dorwin L. Sargent, III", written over a horizontal line.

**Dorwin L. Sargent, III, Town Attorney  
Town of Hickory Creek, Texas**