

Having previously been introduced at the June 9, 2025, council meeting, Council Member \_\_\_\_\_ moved the adoption of the following Ordinance, which was seconded by Council Member \_\_\_\_\_:



## ORDINANCE 25-241

### AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 111-111 – KEEPING OF ANIMALS OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALABASTER, ALABAMA

**WHEREAS**, the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Alabaster has recommended changes to the Zoning Ordinance at its May 27, 2025 meeting, and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Alabaster have reviewed the proposed changes,

**NOW THEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED**, THE PUBLIC GOOD REQUIRING IT, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALABASTER, ALABAMA AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** Alabaster Code **Section 111-111** is hereby amended as follows:

#### **Sec. 111-111. Keeping of animals (Amended)**

(a) No horse, mule, donkey, pony, cow, goat, sheep, swine, fowl, bee, apiary, or other farm animal or livestock shall be kept in any residential district, except as specifically provided in article III of this chapter. The keeping of bees, apiaries, or bee hives shall be permitted only in agricultural zoning districts. Bee hives shall be treated as accessory structures and are subject to the requirements set forth in section 111-45(g).

(b) No animal listed in subsection (a) of this section shall be kept within 100 feet of any dwelling other than that occupied by the owner of the animal, or within 100 feet of any hotel, motel, restaurant, retail food store, school, church or hospital.

(c) No animal listed in subsection (a) of this section which is permitted in a residential district may be kept unless a special permit therefor is issued by the building official after an inspection of the premises and a finding that no nuisance will be created and that all ordinances and regulations have been complied with. A permit shall be for a term of one year, and no renewal shall be issued without reinspection.

(Code 2005, § 122-145; Ord. No. 99-010, art. VII, § 5.0, 9-21-1999)

**Section 2.** Severability: Should any section or provision of this ordinance be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, that decision shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any part thereof, other than the part so declared to be invalid.

**Section 3.** This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its enactment and publication as required by law.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 14TH DAY OF JULY, 2025.**

ATTEST:

CITY OF ALABASTER

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J. Mark Frey, City Clerk

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Sophie Martin, Council President

APPROVED:

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Scott Brakefield, Mayor