## **ORDINANCE NUMBER 21-12-14**

## AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER FOUR OF THE TOWN OF LAKE LURE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADDING LAKE LURE GREENSPACE TO THE INVENTORY OF LOCATIONS SPECIFIED UNDER SECTION 4-2(C) IN WHICH THE TOWN REQUIRES DOGS TO BE PROPERLY RESTRAINED BY A LEASH

**WHEREAS,** Chapter Four of the Town of Lake Lure Code of Ordinances Section 4-2(c) establishes that it shall be unlawful for any person owning, having possession, charge, care, custody or control of a dog to allow such dog to enter any town owned parcels, including, but not limited to, Lake Lure Town Hall, Washburn Marina, Morse Park, and DittmerWatts Nature Trail without being properly restrained by a leash;

**WHEREAS,** The Town of Lake Lure Parks, Recreation, and Lake Department is maintaining and operating the former municipal golf course solely as a greenspace;

**WHEREAS,** The greenspace has been formally named "Lake Lure Greenspace" via motion by Town Council; and

**WHEREAS,** It is within the best interest of the Town of Lake Lure and Lake Lure residents that Lake Lure Greenspace be specifically referenced under Chapter Four of the Town of Lake Lure Code of Ordinances Section 4-2(c) for the purpose of requiring dogs to be properly restrained by a leash while on the Lake Lure Greenspace property; now

## THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LAKE LURE, NORTH CAROLINA, MEETING IN SPECIAL SESSION AND WITH A MAJORITY OF TOWN COUNCIL VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

**SECTION ONE.** Chapter Four of the Town of Lake Lure Code of Ordinances Section 4-2(c) is hereby amended as follows:

[ADDITIONS TO TEXT ARE UNDERLINED; DELETIONS ARE STRUCK THROUGH.]

## Sec. 4-2. Dangerous dogs; barking; leash requirements.

- (c) It shall be unlawful for any person owning, having possession, charge, care, custody or control of a dog to allow such dog to enter any town owned parcels, including, but not limited to, Lake Lure Town Hall, Washburn Marina, Morse Park, DittmerWatts Nature Trail, and Lake Lure Greenspace without being properly restrained by a leash. This section shall apply to all dogs with the following exceptions:
  - (1) Dogs used or being trained for law enforcement by law enforcement officials.

- (2) Service animals, as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act, used by authorized persons and under the control of such persons.
- (3) Dogs in specified off-leash areas as designated by the town.
- (4) Dogs fulfilling a specific town or public purpose, per authorization from the town.

(Code 1989, § 81.02; Ord. of 9-11-2012; Ord. of 5-14-2019)

SECTION TWO. This Ordinance and the rules, regulations, provisions, requirements, orders and matters established and adopted hereby shall take effect and be in full force and effect immediately from after the date of its final passage and adoption.

The Town of Lake Lure Town Council deems Ordinance No. 21-12-14 to be consistent with the Lake Lure comprehensive plan because it expands the existing leash law.

The Town of Lake Lure Town Council deems Ordinance No. 21-12-14 to be reasonable and in the public interest because it is relative to public safety.

**READ, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED** this 14<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2021.

ATTEST:		
Olivia Stewman Town Clerk	Carol C. Pritchett Mayor	
Approved as to content & form:		
William C. Morgan, Jr. Town Attorney		