

ORDINANCE NO. 2012-03

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE OF THE CITY OF FREEPORT: SPECIFICALLY ADDING EQUINE MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS; PROVIDING FOR MANURE MANAGEMENT; PROVIDING FOR NUISANCE AND ENFORCEMENT; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORITY AND PURPOSE, CONFLICT, SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FREEPORT, FLORIDA:

WHEREAS, the Legislature adopted Chapter 163, laws of Florida, which requires the City of Freeport to prepare and adopt and enforce a comprehensive plan; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has adopted a Land Development Code to regulate land use and further the goals, objectives and policies contained in the adopted Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City find it necessary to regulate equine activities within the incorporated limits of the City of Freeport in order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Freeport; and

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FREEPORT, FLORIDA, THAT

SECTION 1. The City of Freeport's Land Development Code is hereby amended as set forth in and incorporated herein by reference, and consists of the addition of Equine Management Regulations which will be incorporated into the Land Development Code as Appendix E.

SECTION 2. Authority and Purpose.

This ordinance is adopted pursuant to the authority granted to cities by Chapter 125, Florida Statutes.

SECTION 3: Conflict.

If any provision or portion of this ordinance is declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be void, unconstitutional, or unenforceable, then all remaining provision and portions of this ordinance and the City of Freeport's Land Development Code shall remain in full force and effect.

An official, true and correct copy of the Freeport Land Development Code as adopted and amended from time to time shall be maintained by the City Mayor or his designee.

SECTION 4: Severability.

Should any word, phrase, sentence, or section of this ordinance be held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be illegal, void, unenforceable, or unconstitutional, then such language shall be severed from this ordinance and the remainder of the ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 5. Effective Date

The effective date of this Land Development Code Amendment shall be the date this ordinance is filed with the Department of State.

ADOPTED in an advertised public hearing of the City Council of the City of Freeport this 11th day of December, 2012.

CITY OF FREEPORT, FLORIDA

ATTEST

By _____

Mickey Marse, Mayor

Robin Haynes, City Clerk

City Council First Reading: November 13, 2012
City Council Second Reading: December 11, 2012