

AN ORDINANCE

NO.

An Ordinance amending Columbus Code Section 5-3 pertaining to the Animal Control Advisory Board to revise certain provisions relating to the Board's composition; and for other purposes.

THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1.

Paragraph(c) of Columbus Code Section 5-3 is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced by a new paragraph (c) to read as follows:

"(c) *Composition of board.* The board shall have ten voting members and two nonvoting members to be appointed as follows:

(1) Two licensed veterinarians practicing in Columbus who are participating in the "one-stop pet registration-rabies vaccination program" shall serve as voting members. The board members are to be selected by the local veterinary association as a representative of the association, and the selections shall be confirmed by the Columbus Council. Notwithstanding the provisions of Columbus Code Section 2-3.02, the veterinarians need not be a resident of Columbus provided that they have a practice at an office located within Columbus and have all required State of Georgia and Columbus professional and business licenses. The veterinarians shall be appointed for two-year terms, except the initial appointments when one veterinarian shall be appointed to a one-year term and one veterinarian shall be appointed to serve a two-year term. The veterinarian appointees shall be eligible to succeed themselves.

(2) A designated representative of PAWS Columbus, Inc. confirmed by the Columbus Council shall serve as a voting member. The PAWS Columbus Board Member shall be appointed to serve a two-year term, and may only serve two terms consecutively.

(3) A designated representative of an animal rescue licensed and operating in Muscogee County and designated by the Director of Public Works shall serve as a voting member. The appointment shall be confirmed by the Columbus Council. The Animal Rescue Board Member shall be appointed to serve a two-year term, and may only serve two terms consecutively.

(5) Five citizens to be selected by the Columbus Council shall serve as voting members. The citizen members shall be appointed to

serve two-year terms, except for the initial appointments upon adoption of this chapter, one citizen shall be appointed to a one-year term and one citizen shall be appointed to a two-year term. The citizen board members may only serve two terms consecutively.

(6) An employee of the Environmental Health Division, Columbus Department of Public Health shall serve as a voting member of the board. The board member is to be appointed by the county board of health and confirmed by the Columbus Council.

(7) The Director of Public Works shall be a nonvoting ex-officio member of the board.

(8) The chief of animal control and enforcement shall be a nonvoting ex-officio member of the board.

(9) The administrative officer of the animal control and enforcement division shall be the recording secretary for the board."

SECTION 2.

All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held on the 27th day of March, 2018; introduced a second time at a regular meeting of said council held on the ____ day of _____, 2018 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmation vote of ____ members of Council.

Councilor Allen	voting	_____
Councilor Baker	voting	_____
Councilor Barnes	voting	_____
Councilor Davis	voting	_____
Councilor Garrett	voting	_____
Councilor Huff	voting	_____
Councilor Thomas	voting	_____
Councilor Pugh	voting	_____
Councilor Woodson	voting	_____

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