

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 54 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF LEAGUE CITY ENTITLED "HEALTH AND SANITATION" BY AMENDING SECTION 54-32 TO PROHIBIT PROPERTY CONDITIONS THAT CAUSE PEST INFESTATION

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEAGUE CITY, TEXAS, as follows:

Section 1. That the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to amend Section 54-32 to read as follows:

**Sec. 54-32. -Pest Infestation.**

(a) Definitions:

- a. "Infestation" is the presence of a large number of pests in a structure that causes or has the potential to cause damage and/or the spreading of disease.
- b. "Pest" is an insect or animal, including but not limited to bees, bats, and rodents.

(b) Infestation Prohibited. Structures shall be kept free from all infestations.

(c) Owner Responsible. The owner of any structure shall be responsible for pest elimination within the structure.

(d) Safe Extermination. Structures in which a pest infestation is found shall be promptly exterminated in a way that will not be injurious to human health.

Section 2. Savings. All rights and remedies which have accrued in favor of the City under this Ordinance and amendments thereto shall be and are preserved for the benefit of the City.

Section 3. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

Section 4. Repealer. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed but only to the extent of such conflict.

Section 5. Codification. It is the intent of the City Council of the City of League City, Texas, that the provisions of this Ordinance shall be codified in the City's official Code of Ordinances as provided hereinabove.

Section 6. Publication and Effective Date. The City Secretary shall cause this Ordinance, or its caption, to be published in the official newspaper of the City of League City, upon passage of such Ordinance. The Ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after its passage.

PASSED first reading the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.

PASSED second reading the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.

PASSED AND ADOPTED the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.

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PAT HALLISEY  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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DIANA M. STAPP  
City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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NGHIEM V. DOAN  
City Attorney