

TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN
O-2-19

**ORDINANCE AMENDING O-14-18 ENFORCEMENT OF ANIMAL RELATED
ORDINANCES AND INITIAL INVESTIGATION OF ANIMAL CRUELTY BY
DESIGNATED TOWNSHIP AND COUNTY OFFICIALS**

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Franklin wishes to ensure a safe environment for all residents of the Township of Franklin and its visitors;

WHEREAS, the Township Committee supports the humane treatment of animals and recognizes the need for enforcement of laws regarding same;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township of Franklin, Committee of the Township of Franklin, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey, that any Township Code Enforcement Official, Township Police Department Officer, Gloucester County Animal Control Officer, the Municipal Clerk, or any other official or person assigned or designated by Mayor and Committee shall be authorized to investigate and enforce animal related ordinances in the Township of Franklin;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, Gloucester County Animal Control Officers (GCACO), or other designate, may investigate, and/or require compliance for violations pursuant to N.J.S.A.4:22. In the event the GCACO, or designate sees, or recognizes a potential criminal situation, or the need arises where a criminal investigation is warranted, the GCACO shall make contact/report to the Municipal Humane Law Enforcement Officer for further action. The GCACO may continue to contribute to the investigation as requested or required.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any section, sentence, clause, provision or portion of this Ordinance shall be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect or impair any other section, sentence, clause, provision or portion of this Ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its final passage, adoption and publication as provided by law.

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN

Barbara Freijomil, Clerk

David Deegan, Mayor

CERTIFICATION

I, Barbara Freijomil, Clerk of the Township of Franklin, County of Gloucester, do here certify that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced at the Regular Meeting of the Township of Franklin held on February 12, 2019 and thereafter duly advertised in the legal newspaper of the Township at least seven (7) days prior to it being considered for final passage and adoption at a subsequent meeting to be held on March 12, 2019 at which time any person interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard.

Barbara Freijomil, Municipal Clerk

Introduced February 12, 2019

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Vassallo				
Flaim				
Bruno				
Petsch-Wilson				
Deegan				

Adopted March 12, 2019

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Vassallo				
Flaim				
Bruno				
Petsch-Wilson				
Deegan				