

ORDINANCE # 775

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HILSHIRE VILLAGE ADOPTING A PREDATORY ANIMAL CONTROL WORK PLAN (COYOTE MANAGEMENT PLAN); PROVIDING FOR THE REIMBURSEMENT OF CERTAIN EXPENSES INCURRED BY PROPERTY OWNERS; PROVIDING FOR FUNDING OF THE MANAGEMENT PLAN; AND MAKING OTHER FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Hilshire Village has received numerous complaints about coyotes in the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the presence of the coyotes in the City constitutes a nuisance because the coyotes have killed or injured pets, and are a danger to the City's residents, including small children; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 825 of the Texas Health and Safety Code has authorized the city council to appropriate funds to perform predatory animal control work; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to reimburse property owners of the City a portion of their costs in removing coyotes that are a nuisance to its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds the adoption of this coyote management plan that provides financial assistance to property owners who abate nuisance coyotes is necessary for the protection of the health and welfare of its citizens;

Now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HILSHIRE VILLAGE TEXAS THAT:

SECTION 1. The City Council adopts the findings made above.

SECTION 2. Upon satisfaction of the criteria and subject to the limitations and restrictions set forth below, the City Council authorizes the City Secretary to reimburse up to one-half of a trap set up fee (not to exceed \$125) and up to one half of a coyote removal fee (not to exceed \$125 per coyote) to no more than one property owner at a residential address in the City.

SECTION 3. In order to qualify for reimbursement, a person must present to the City Secretary or her designee, during regular business hours, an affidavit in a form approved by the City Secretary that:

- a. states the name, address and mailing address of the person;
- b. identifies the date of the trap set up and/or coyote removal;
- c. states the amount paid or expenses incurred by the person to set up the trap and/or remove the coyote;
- d. states the name and address of the person or pest control company, if any, that set up the trap or removed the coyote;
- e. states the location within city where the coyote was trapped;
- f. states that the coyote was trapped on land owned by the person;
- g. states that no bounty has been paid for the coyote; and
- h. includes a statement that the person knows that it is an offense to make a false entry in a governmental record.

SECTION 4. The City Council appropriates the sum of \$4,000 for payment of all reimbursements pursuant this policy for the fiscal year 2018-2019. The aggregate reimbursements shall not exceed the sum of \$4,000.00. The reimbursements shall be paid on a first come basis.

SECTION 5. In the event any clause, phrase, provision, sentence, or part of this Ordinance or the application of the same to any person or circumstances shall for any reason be adjudged invalid or held unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect, impair, or invalidate this Ordinance as a whole or any part or provision hereof other than the part declared to be invalid or unconstitutional;

and the City Council of the City of Hilshire Village, Texas, declares that it would have passed each and every part of the same notwithstanding the omission of any such part thus declared to be invalid or unconstitutional, whether there be one or more parts.

SECTION 6. This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon the Mayor's signature in accordance with Section 52.003 of the Texas Local Government Code.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 15th day of January, 2019.





Russell Herron, Mayor

ATTEST:



Susan Blevins, City Secretary



Request for Reimbursement for the Trapping of a Coyote

Applicant Information (You must be a current resident of the City of Hilshire Village in order to request reimbursement for a coyote trapped on personal property within the City.)	
Applicant's Name:	
Applicant's Permanent Address:	
Applicant's Mailing Address (if different):	

Entity Trapping/Removing the Coyote	
Name of Company or Licensed Individual	
Address	
Phone Number	
Date of Trap Installation	
Date of Coyote Capture	
Date of Trap Removal	
Location Within the City Where the Coyote Was Trapped	
Total Expenses Incurred for Trap Setup and/or Removal	

*Attach a copy of invoice from Entity trapping/removing the Coyote

By signing below, you acknowledge that:

- the coyote was trapped on land owned by the applicant as identified on this form
- no bounty has been paid for the coyote
- it is an offense to make a false entry in a governmental record.

 Applicant's Signature

 Date

 Approved by City Secretary/Treasurer

 Date