CITY OF WESTWOOD HILLS, KANSAS ORDINANCE NO. 261

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE CONTINUATION OF THE COOPERATIVE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ANIMAL CONTROL COMMISSION BY CERTAIN JOHNSON COUNTY, KANSAS, CITIES, AND PROVIDING FOR FINANCING, POWERS, DURATION, PURPOSES, AND TERMINATION THEREOF.

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of Westwood Hills, Kansas, deems it advisable and necessary that this city and other cities within Johnson County, Kansas, adequately control the problems of dead and uncontrolled domestic and wild animals on the streets or roaming at large within said City. The Governing Body further finds that it is necessary and proper and beneficial to said City to join together with other cities to form a cooperative animal control program for certain Johnson County, Kansas, cities. For the purpose of a better animal control service to all participating cities at the lowest possible costs, the governing body agrees to mutual animal control participation with other cities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WESTWOOD HILLS, KANSAS, as follows:

Section 1. Animal Control Commission. The City of Westwood Hills, Kansas, has joined with at least two (2) other adopting cities to establish and continue a Johnson County, Kansas, Animal Control Commission, as authorized by K.S.A. 12-2908.

Section 2. Interlocal Agreement. The Mayor and the City Clerk of the City of Westwood Hills, Kansas, are hereby authorized, directed and empowered to execute such documents as are necessary to agree and contract with other adopting cities for the continuation of the cooperative establishment of the NORTHEAST ANIMAL CONTROL COMMISSION. This agreement shall continue the present Northeast Animal Control Commission on substantially the same terms as have been in effect since the original formation of the Commission in 1983. The adopting cities agree to join cooperatively to support and pay for an animal control service for the adopting cities and to share among those cities the costs of such animal control services on a per capita basis, based upon the population figures for each participating city. In order to continue participation in the Northeast Animal Control Commission, each year, the City of Westwood Hills, Kansas, shall include within its annual budget the costs of such animal control services to be provided by the Northeast Animal Control Commission and will pay those costs to the Northeast Animal Control Commission.

Section 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall be effective upon its passage, approval by the Mayor and publication once in the official city newspaper.

PASSED by the Governing Body, and APPROVED by the Mayor this 13th day of February, 2017.

<u> Taula Schwach</u> Paula Schwach, Mayor

Attest:

Beth O'Bryan, City Clerk

Approved As To Form:

James R. Orr, City Attorney