

**ORDINANCE NO. 2015-16**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COPPERAS COVE, TEXAS, AMENDING CITY CODE CHAPTER 20 (ENTITLED ZONING) BY AMENDMENT TO SECTION 20-25 )ENTITLED “FENCES”); REPEALING CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY CLAUSES; PROVIDING PENALTIES; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COPPERAS COVE TEXAS:

**SECTION 1.**

That Chapter 20 (entitled “Zoning”) section 20-25 (entitled “Fences”) subsection (a) is hereby amended to read as follows:

- (a) *Safety.* No wall or fence shall be constructed or maintained in such a manner as would endanger the health or safety of the general public. Fences constructed of barbed wire and walls topped with broken glass or surfaced with any like material shall be prohibited; provided, however, a security fence of not less than six (6) feet in height may be topped by barbed wire. No electric fence shall be permitted except on property zoned as Agricultural (AG-1) and where provided for the actual enclosures of farm animals, in which case said electric fence shall be posted at least once along each adjoining public right-of-way and at intervals not less than five hundred (500) feet.

**SECTION 2.**

That Chapter 20 (entitled “Zoning”) section 20-25 (entitled “Fences”) subsection (c) is amended by adding a new Subsection (c)(4) to read as follows:

- (4) Fences constructed with chicken wire or similar material for the enclosure of farm animals shall not be allowed except on property zoned as Agricultural (AG-1).

**SECTION 3.**

That violation of any provision of this ordinance shall penalized as provided in Section 1-5 of the City Code of Municipal Ordinances.

**SECTION 4.**

That any ordinances or resolutions or part of ordinance or resolutions in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

**SECTION 5.**

That should any section, clause, or provision of this Ordinance be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of this ordinance or any other ordinance of the City as a whole or any part thereof, other than the part so declared to be invalid.

**SECTION 6.**

That this ordinance shall go into effect immediately upon its adoption and approval by City Council and publication as may be required by law.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED on this 2nd day of June 2015 at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Copperas Cove, Texas which meeting was held in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, Tex. Gov't Code, §551.001, et.seq. at which meeting a quorum was present and voting.

  
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John Hull, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
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Mariela Altott, City Secretary



**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

  
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Denton, Navarro, Rocha, Bernal,  
Hyde & Zech P.C., City Attorney