

ORDINANCE NO. 13,619

AN ORDINANCE to amend the Municipal Code of Des Moines, 1991, adopted by Ordinance No. 11,651, passed April 15, 1991, and amended by Ordinance No. 13,223, passed August 7, 1995 by repealing Section 17-35.04, thereof and enacting a new Section 17-35.04, all relating to trapping.

Be It Ordained by the City Council of the City of Des Moines,

Iowa:

Section 1. That the Municipal Code of Des Moines, 1991, adopted by Ordinance No. 11,651, passed April 15, 1991, and amended by Ordinance No. 13,223, passed August 7, 1995 be and is hereby amended by repealing Section 17-35.04 thereof and enacting a new Section 17-35.04, all relating to trapping, as follows:

17-35.04. TRAPPING.

No person shall set or use a steel, claw, or box trap outside of any structure or building for the purpose of taking, killing, maiming, wounding, ensnaring, trapping, or capturing an animal or which is injurious to persons or animals except for the following:

- (1) Any trap designed for the primary use of capturing mice, rats, gophers, moles, or aquatic rodents which are trapped in water;
- (2) Any trapping by a governmental unit to capture animals which are creating a public nuisance or for the protection of public or private property;
- (3) Any trapping by a business licensed by the State Department of Natural Resources to trap and relocate non-domestic animals or wildlife.
- (4) Live trapping with cage or box traps by landowners or tenants for relocation outside of the city limits of any non-domestic animal or wildlife that presents a nuisance or danger to any person or property.

Sec. 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication as provided by law.

FORM APPROVED:

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