MIDVALE CITY, UTAH
ORDINANCE NO. 2019-02

An Ordinance Adopting Regulations for the Keeping of Miniature Goats

WHEREAS, Section 10-8-84 of the Utah Code, grants the authority to municipalities to enact ordinances that are necessary and proper to provide for the safety and preserve the health, and promote the property, improve the morals, peace and good order comfort and convenience of the City and its inhabitants; and

WHEREAS, the regulation of animals, including, without limitation, miniature goats, is necessary to provide for the good order of the City; and

WHEREAS, Midvale City wishes to adopt conditions and regulations for the keeping of miniature goats on premises zoned for single family residential dwellings.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Midvale City, Utah as follows:

Section 1. The City Council desires to adopt Chapter 6.18, Keeping Miniature Goats, of the Midvale Municipal Code as set forth in Exhibit A.

Section 2. All former ordinances or parts thereof conflicting or inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 3. The provisions of this ordinance shall be severable; and if any provision thereof, or the application of such provision under any circumstance is held invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect any other provision of this ordinance, or the application in a different circumstance.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall be effective upon date of first publication.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 5th day of March, 2019.

[Signature]
Robert Hale, Mayor

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Rofi L. Andreason, MMC
City Recorder

Voting by the City Council
Bryant Brown
Dustin Gettel
Paul Glover
Paul Hunt
Quinn Sperry

"Aye" "Nay"

Published this 15th day of March 2019.
EXHIBIT "A"

Chapter 6.18
KEEPING MINIATURE GOATS

Sections:

6.18.010 Definitions.
6.18.020 Requirements for keeping miniature goats.

6.18.010 Definitions.

"Miniature Goat" means an animal of the species Capra hircus which, at maturity, is less than 27 inches high at the shoulder, weighs no more than 100 pounds, and is more commonly known as a Pygmy, Dwarf, or Miniature Goat.

6.18.020 Requirements for keeping miniature goats.

Without limiting any of the other requirements of this title, the keeping of miniature goats on premises zoned for single family residential dwellings with a minimum lot size of at least 0.25 acre and developed with one, but not more than one, residential dwelling unit shall be permitted provided the following requirements are satisfied:

A. Miniature goats shall be dehorned unless they have reached the age of one (1) year old;
B. Male miniature goats shall be neutered, and female miniature goats shall be spayed;
C. No more or no less than two (2) miniature goats shall be kept on a premise;
D. Miniature goats must be vaccinated by a veterinarian licensed in Utah to treat livestock. Proof of certifications for rabies and other proper vaccinations is required;
E. Miniature goats shall be housed in a detached structure designed to be:
   1. Predator proof;
   2. Thoroughly vented;
   3. Watertight and draft free;
   4. A minimum of fifty (50) square feet of interior space;
   5. Constructed with quality exterior building materials and in accordance with the building code;
   6. Compliant with all accessory structure setbacks and permit requirements found in Title 17 of this code;
7. A minimum of twenty-five (25) feet from any residential structure, excluding the residential structure on the property where the goats are kept. This distance may be reduced to not less than fifteen (15) feet with written permission from the adjacent property owner; and
8. Located in the rear or side yard of the property as defined in Title 17 of this code.

F. Direct access from the miniature goats’ detached structure to an outdoor enclosure is required. The outdoor enclosure shall include the following attributes:
   1. Secured within a minimum five (5) foot tall fence;
   2. Secured from the outside in a manner preventing miniature goats escaping the enclosure;
   3. Be free of objects enabling the goats to climb out of the enclosure;
   4. Easily accessed for cleaning and maintenance; and
   5. Located in the rear or side yard of the property as defined in Title 17 of this code.

G. Property shall be graded, sloped, or otherwise contained to prevent animal waste from entering surface water or from flowing onto another property.

H. Miniature goats’ detached structure and outside enclosure shall be inspected by a representative of the city designated by the community development director;

I. Property shall be owner occupied or tenant shall provide written permission from the property owner allowing the keeping of miniature goats on the premises;

J. Miniature goat owner shall obtain a permit issued by Salt Lake County Animal Services and keep it current until such time miniature goats are no longer kept on the property;

K. Miniature goat milk, cheese, and other goat-related food products from miniature goats shall be used for personal consumption only; sale of such products is prohibited;

L. The city may enter upon the premises for the purpose of inspecting the goats and related property improvements.