

ARTICLE 2.01 GENERAL PROVISIONS***Sec. 2.01.001 Wild animals**†

(a) For the purposes of this section, "wild animal" shall mean and include any mammal, amphibian, reptile, or fowl which is of a species which is wild by nature, and of a species which, due to size, vicious nature, or other characteristic, is dangerous to human beings. Such animals shall include, but not be limited to, deer, lions, tigers, leopards, panthers, bears, wolves, raccoons, skunks, apes, gorillas, monkeys, foxes, elephants, rhinoceroses, alligators, crocodiles and all forms of poisonous reptiles. The term "wild animal" as used in this code shall not include gerbils, hamsters, guinea pigs, mice or rabbits.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person to keep or harbor any wild animal within the corporate limits of the city, excepting commercial establishments dealing in the sale of these animals and zoos that have proper facilities for restraint and care of these animals.

(c) The animal control authority and the city health officer or their deputies may set up conditions under which it would be permissible to keep or harbor wild animals in the city on a temporary basis.

(1987 Code, sec. 4-1)