

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-02-L&R

**AMENDING SECTION 505 OF THE VILLAGE OF GREENHILLS CODIFIED ORDINANCES
TO INCLUDE RESTRICTIONS ON TETHERING DOGS**

WHEREAS, Chapter 505 of the Greenhills Codified Ordinances currently regulates animals and fowl; and

WHEREAS, Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the Village of Greenhills to amend these regulations to include language that places restrictions on the tethering of dogs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Greenhills:

Section 1. That new language be incorporated into Chapter 505 of the Village of Greenhills Codified Ordinances as Section 505.081 that reads as follows:

(a) No owner, keeper, or harborer shall allow a dog to be tethered:

1) for more than six (6) hours in a twenty-four (24) hour period;

2) between the hours of 10 pm and 6 am;

3) when no owner, keeper, or harborer of the dog is present on the premises;

4) in any area where there is an accumulation of feces or other waste, insect infestation, rodent infestation, foul odor, or another unsanitary or dangerous condition within the radius of the tether.

5) if there is a heat or cold advisory or a severe weather warning.

(b) No owner, keeper, or harborer of a dog shall use any of the following types of tethers for the dog:

1) A tether of less than 10 feet in length, or less than four times the length of the dog's body from tip of nose to base of tail, whichever is greater;

2) A tether the length of which allows the dog to cross the property line of the property on which it is tethered;

3) A tether that causes injury or pain to the dog because of the material of which it is made or because of the size or weight of the tether; generally, a tether should not weigh more than one-eighth (1/8th) of a dog's body weight.

(c) No owner, keeper, or harborer of a dog shall tether the dog:

1) by attaching the tether to the dog by means of a choke chain, pinch collar, or prong collar, as the collars are defined by the Humane Society of the United States;

2) by attaching the tether to a collar that is not properly fitted;

3) in an area likely to cause injury or pain to the dog because of entanglement; or

4) in an area likely to cause injury or pain to the dog because of surrounding structures.

Section 2. That all remaining provisions of Chapter 505 shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 3. That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Adopted this 27th day of March, 2018.

Approved:

David Moore, Mayor /s/

Attest:

Kathryn L. Lives, Clerk of Council /s/