

ORDINANCE 2009-16

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 6, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE B, DOGS, SECTION 6-2-15 (a) OF THE CITY OF ISLE OF PALMS CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHANGING THE HOURS DURING WHICH A DOG IS ALLOWED ON THE BEACH WITHOUT A LEASH.

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS OF THE CITY OF ISLE OF PALMS, SOUTH CAROLINA, IN CITY COUNCIL ASSEMBLED:

SECTION 1. That Section 6-2-15(a) is hereby amended in its entirety to state as follows:

“Sec. 6-2-15 Running at large prohibited; exceptions.

(a) No person owning, having an interest in, harboring or having charge, care, control, custody or possession of any dog shall cause or permit the dog to be off the premises of its owner or custodian, unless such dog is securely confined by a strong leash, securely and continuously held by a competent person owning, having an interest in, harboring, or having charge, care, control, custody or possession of the dog, or unless the dog is confined within a vehicle, within an enclosure surrounded by an adequate fence or within a house. Provided, however, that a dog owner or other person charged with the custody and control of a dog may allow the dog to roam at large on the beach between the hours of 4:00 o'clock p.m. to 10:00 o'clock a.m. from September 15th through March 31st, and between the hours of 5:00 o'clock a.m. to 8:00 o'clock a.m. from April 1st through September 14th. Such owner or custodian shall at all times be in close proximity to the dog, have a leash in hand, and have the dog under control. Nothing contained herein shall affect a dog owner or custodian's duty to comply with all state laws regarding vicious or dangerous dogs, or the duty to comply with section 6-2-26 requiring the removal of animal excrement.”

SECTION 2. That should any part of this Ordinance be held invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining parts shall be severable therefrom and shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances conflicting with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed insofar as the same affect this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF ISLE OF PALMS, SOUTH CAROLINA, ON THE _____ DAY OF _____, 2009.

Richard F. Cronin, Mayor

(Seal)

Attest:

Marie B. Copeland, City Clerk

First Reading: _____

Second Reading: _____

Ratification: _____