

CITY OF ENGLEWOOD

ORDINANCE #25-50

AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING AND AMENDING CHAPTER 106, ARTICLE V OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF ENGLEWOOD, ENTITLED WILDLIFE FEEDING

BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Englewood, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION I. Purpose:

An ordinance to prohibit the feeding of unconfined wildlife in any public park or on any other property owned or operated by the City of Englewood to protect the environment, public health, safety and welfare, and to prescribe penalties for failure to comply.

SECTION II. Definitions:

For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this Chapter clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When consistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words used in the plural number include the singular number, and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word "shall" is always mandatory and not merely directory.

- A. "Feed" means to distribute or scatter any edible material with the intention of feeding or attracting wildlife. Feeding does not include baiting in the legal taking of fish and/or game.
- B. "Person" means any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association, or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.
- C. "Wildlife" means any undomesticated animal and includes all organisms that live wild in an area.

SECTION III. Regulated Activities:

No person shall feed, in any public park or on any other property owned or operated by the City of Englewood, any wildlife.

SECTION IV. Exemptions:

Exemptions include unconfined wildlife at environmental education centers and feral cats as part of an approved Trap-Neuter-Release program.

SECTION V. Enforcement:

- A. This article shall be enforced by the Police Department, the Department of Public Works and the Health Department of the City of Englewood.
- B. Any person found to be in violation of this ordinance shall be ordered to cease the feeding immediately.

SECTION VI. Violations and Penalties:

Any person(s) who is found to be in violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall be subject to a fine not to exceed \$100.

SECTION VII. Severability:

Each section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase of this Ordinance is declared to be an independent section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase, and the finding or holding of any such portion of this Ordinance to be unconstitutional, void, or ineffective for any cause, or reason, shall not affect any other portion of this Ordinance.

SECTION VIII. Effective Date:

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and any publication as may be required by law.

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RECORD OF VOTE

FIRST READING DATE: November 12, 2025

| COUNCIL | MOTION | VOTE |
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| David | | AB |
| Rosenzweig | X | Y |
| Tokayer | | Y |
| Wilson | | Y |
| Wisotsky | | Y |

DATE PUBLISHED IN THE RECORD: November 18, 2025

DATES PUBLIC HEARINGS HELD: November 25, 2025

DATE SECOND READING HELD: November 25, 2025

| COUNCIL | MOTION | OPEN | MOTION | CLOSE | MOTION | ADOPT |
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Y=YES

N=OPPOSED

A=ABSTAINED

AB=ABSENT

PRESENTED TO MAYOR:

APPROVED _____

REJECTED _____ (VETO)

MAYOR MICHAEL WILDES

DATE: _____

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact
copy of an Ordinance adopted and approved by the
Mayor and Council of the City of Englewood.

Yancy Wazirmas, RMC
City Clerk