

**NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS  
OF THE  
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE**

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO  
ORDINANCE §53-17**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Charter Township of Northville Board of Trustees approved the adoption of the amendment to §53-17 (Keeping of Animals: Penalties) at a Regular Meeting on Thursday, February 16, 2023, at 7:00 P.M. at the Northville Township Hall located at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan 48168.

The approved amendment is as follows:

- A. *Any person who shall violate any provision of this chapter shall be subject to the penalties specified for a violation of the Township Code. However, only in the case of a violation of §53-4 a written warning shall be provided to the responsible party as follows:*

*The Chief of Police, or his/her designee, is authorized to serve a written notice of violation on the person responsible for any violation of the provisions of §53-4 which shall require compliance within 14 days of the notice.*

*Failure to comply with the written warning on a first offense or second offense shall result in the following penalty:*

- a. *The following civil fines shall apply in the event of a determination of responsibility for a municipal civil infraction, unless a different fine is specified in connection with a particular section:*
- i. *First offense: The civil fine for a first offense violation shall be in the amount of \$300, plus costs and other sanctions, for each offense.*
  - ii. *Second offense: The civil fine for any offense which is a second offense shall be in an amount of \$500, plus costs and other sanctions for each offense.*
- b. *In addition to ordering the defendant determined to be responsible for a municipal civil fraction to pay a civil fine, costs, damages and expenses, the Judge or Magistrate shall be authorized to issue any judgment, writ or order necessary to enforce or enjoin violation of the chapter.*
- c. *Continuing offense. Each act of violation, and on each day upon which any such violation shall occur; shall constitute a separate offense.*
- d. *Remedies not exclusive. In addition to any remedies provided for by the Code of Ordinances, any equitable or other remedies available may be sought.*
- e. *The Judge or Magistrate shall be authorized to impose costs, damages and expenses provided by the law.*
- f. *A municipal civil infraction shall not be a lesser-included offense of a criminal offense or of an ordinance violation which is not a civil infraction.*
- g. *A third or subsequent offense shall be a misdemeanor punishable as set forth in §1-10 of the Township Code.*

The introduction of the amendment was approved at the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting held on January 19, 2023.

A copy of the full Ordinance and amendment can be viewed during normal business hours of 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Office of the Township Clerk, Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan 48168 or on the township's website: [www.twp.northville.mi.us](http://www.twp.northville.mi.us) .

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Ordinance as passed by the Charter Township of Northville Board of Trustees at a Regular Meeting held at Township Hall on the 16th day of February, 2023.

Roger Lundberg  
Clerk

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