

LEGAL NOTICE
PUBLIC HEARING
City of Oneida

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a **PUBLIC HEARING** will be held at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, July 5, 2022 on a proposed Local Law to amend Chapter 73 of the Oneida City Code to add Article IV, titled "Birds and Other Wild Animals".

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the complete text of the Proposed Local Law may be viewed in the City Clerk's office and will also be posted in the lobby at City Hall, 109 N. Main St.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that any or all persons opposing said proposed Local Law may file a written notice thereto, with the City Clerk before such hearing or attend said hearing at the time and place specified.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that any persons with special needs should contact the City Clerk one week prior to the hearing.

CITY OF ONEIDA

PROPOSED LOCAL LAW

A LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 73 OF THE ONEIDA CITY CODE TO ADD ARTICLE IV, TITLED "BIRDS AND OTHER WILD ANIMALS"

Be it enacted by the Common Council of the City of Oneida, that this local law amends Chapter 73 of the City Code of the City of Oneida to add Article IV, titled "Birds and Other Wild Animals."

SECTION 1. **AUTHORITY.**

This local law is enacted pursuant to the New York State Constitution and New York Municipal Home Rule Law § 10.

SECTION 2.

So that Chapter 73 of the Oneida City Code is amended to include a new Article IV, titled "Birds and Other Wild Animals," which shall read in its entirety as follows:

"§ 73-31. Nuisance declared.

The unnatural presence of pigeons, and other wild animals, including but not limited to gulls, geese, raccoons, deer, skunks, opossums, coyotes, or foxes, in the City of Oneida,

New York, is hereby declared to be a public nuisance, the same being a menace to the health of the community.

§ 73-32. Harboring, keeping, or feeding wild birds unlawful.

No person, firm, corporation, or association shall intentionally feed, harbor, or keep any pigeons, and other wild animals, including but not limited to gulls, geese, raccoons, deer, skunks, opossums, coyotes, or foxes. This section shall not apply to bird feeders.

§ 73-33. Penalties for offenses.

Any person, firm, corporation, or association violating the provisions of this article shall be deemed guilty of an offense and shall be punishable by a fine not less than \$100 nor more than \$250 or 15 days in the Madison County Jail, or both."

SECTION 3. **VALIDITY & SEVERABILITY.**

If a court determines that any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this local law or application thereof to any person, firm or corporation, or circumstance is invalid or unconstitutional, the court's order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder of this local law, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this local law or in its application to the person, individual, firm or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

SECTION 4. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This Local Law shall be effective upon filing with the office of the Secretary of State.