ORDINANCE NO. 2015-____

CITY OF WEST FORK, WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY OF WEST FORK CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES PERTAINING TO ANIMAL CONTROL

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of West Fork, had been advised that there are changes needed to the City of West Fork Code pertaining to Animal Control. Having heard from city staff, the City Council wishes to amend the Code of Ordinances pertaining to Animal Control in order to better protect the citizens of West Fork.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED, by the City Council of the City of West Fork, Arkansas, as follows:

SECTION 1. The title of Sec. 6.01.10 of the City Code for the City of West Fork, Arkansas, shall now read as follows:

Abandonment, Relinquishment And/Or Surrender to Animal Control

- **SECTION 2:** Section 6.01.10 of the City Code for the City of West Fork, Arkansas shall include a subsection "(a)" which shall read as follows:
 - (a) In the event that any unwanted domesticated animal(s) are requested to be relinquished or surrendered to the West Fork Animal Control Officer for any reason, regardless of the method of acquisition of the animal(s) by the requestor, a relinquishment fee, as defined in this section, must be paid in advance to the West Fork City Clerk's office at the time of the request and/or prior to the animal being taken possession of by the West Fork Animal Control Officer for transport to the Washington County Animal Shelter.
- **SECTION 3:** Section 6.01.10 of the City Code for the City of West Fork, Arkansas shall include a subsection "(b)" which shall read as follows:
 - (b) The relinquishment fee will be equal to the current intake fee being charged by the Washington County Animal Shelter at the time of surrender.

SECTION 4: In Section 6.11.01 titled Set Penalties, Article (f) shall read as follows:

(a) Relinquishment Fee will be equal to the current intake fee being charged by the Washington County Animal Shelter.

SECTION 5. In the event that any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase, or other provision or portion of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, the same shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole, or any part or provision, other than the part so decided to be invalid or unconstitutional, and the remaining provisions of this Ordinance shall be construed as if such invalid, unenforceable or unconstitutional provision or provisions had never been contained herein.

SECTION 6. All ordinances, resolutions or order of the City Council, or parts of ordinances, resolutions or orders of the City Council in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

| PASSED AND APPROVED this | day of | , 2015. |
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| | APPROVED: | |
| | Charles Rossetti, Mayor | |
| ATTEST: | | |
| Masha Hungate, City Recorder (SEAL) | | |