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## **City of LaGrange Updates Dog Tethering Ordinance**

***LaGrange, Ga. December 27, 2018*** – The LaGrange City Council voted unanimously to approve amendments to the current dog tethering ordinance.

The current ordinance requires dogs to be on a trolley line or in a fenced area if left outside. Thursday (12/20) the following items were added to the current ordinance:

- Chains are no longer allowed as tethering material
- The allowable weight of tethering material will be reduced from 25% to 5%
- Padlocks will not be allowed to restrain dogs on the trolley line
- Owners will be required to provide adequate shelter for dogs.  
Adequate shelter is defined as:
  - o Enclosed structure with 4 sides
  - o Bedding must be provided to maintain comfortable temperatures during times when outside temperature is below 32 degrees
  - o Structure must include a heavy plastic or rubber flap to cover the door

- Structures made out of wood shall be raised at least two inches off the ground

The updates to the ordinance took effect December 20<sup>th</sup>.

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