

ORDINANCE NO. 996

Not Adopted 

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE HARBORING AND OWNING OF DOGS AND CATS, AND FIXING A LICENSE FEE FOR DOGS AND PROVIDING FOR THE VACCINATION THEREOF AND POUND FEES, AND REPEALING ORDINANCES NO. 856 and No. 880.

The City Council of the City of Redlands does ordain as follows:

Section 1. It shall be unlawful to own or harbor any dog within the City of Redlands except as herein provided, without securing a license therefor, and maintaining a tag thereon, as herein specified.

Section 2. Every person, firm or corporation owning or harboring a dog within the City of Redlands, shall on or before the first day of July of each year, pay to the said City, a license fee of \$ 2.00 for each male dog, or spayed female dog., \$ 3.00 for each female dog, which said fee shall be payable annually and shall become delinquent on the first day of August of each year, the penalty of such delinquency to be \$ 1.00 in addition to the said license fee.

Section 3. Public health and safety require that all dogs within the City of Redlands must be vaccinated each year with canine rabies vaccine, and it shall be unlawful for any person to own, have an interest in, harbor and feed or have the care, charge, custody or possession of a dog over the age of three months unless such dog has been vaccinated with canine rabies vaccine, by injection or other approved method, by a duly qualified and licensed veterinarian, within a period of twelve months prior to the 1st day of July, 1955, and thereafter such dog must be vaccinated with canine rabies vaccine each succeeding year. Upon vaccination a vaccination tag shall be issued by the veterinarian and every dog shall be required to wear such tag. Dogs found on the streets without a vaccination tag shall be impounded as herein after set forth.

Section 4. That no license to own or harbor a dog as herein provided, shall be issued except upon application in writing to the Chief of Police of said City, setting forth the name and address of the owner or possessor of the dog and a brief description of the dog, together with a certificate of vaccination from a licensed veterinarian, showing that the dog has been vaccinated with canine rabies vaccine within a period of twelve months preceeding date of application for license.

Section 5. The Chief of Police upon receipt of such application and the license fee aforesaid shall issue and deliver to such owner or possessor of a dog a receipt, certifying the payment of the license fee, and setting forth the name and address of the applicant and a brief description of the dog, and the number allotted to the dog, which tag shall at all times be affixed to the collar, covering, harness or other article worn by such dog.

Section 6. It is hereby declared unlawful for any person to imitate or counterfeit said license tag or to use an imitation or counterfeit of said tag upon any dog in said City, or to remove or take off any tag upon any dog kept or owned by, or in the charge, care or control of another person without the consent of such person, or having obtained a tag for one dog, to place, permit or allow such tag to be put upon another dog.

Section 7. That the Humane Officer shall have the right to seize any dog within the City of Redlands having or suspected to have rabies or hydrophobia, and in the event the City Health Officer shall determine that such dog is afflicted with rabies or hydrophobia, the said dog shall be forthwith killed by the Humane Officer, provided that if such dog shall be suspected of having rabies or hydrophobia, it may be confined by the Humane Officer for such time as the City Health Officer shall direct, and if the said City Health Officer shall then determine that said dog does not have rabies, or hydrophobia, it shall be returned to the owner upon payment by the owner of the sum of twenty-five cents per day for each day that said dog shall be kept in the confinement pursuant to the direction of the City Health Officer.

Section 8. The Chief of Police, Humane Officer, City Health Officer and all Police Officers of said City shall have the right to enter upon any private property for the purpose of ascertaining whether any dog or dogs are kept harbored in violation of the provisions hereof, or whether any dog is afflicted with rabies or hydrophobia.

Section 9. It is hereby declared that all persons bitten by dogs, all physicians treating dog bites and all hospitals report immediately said occurrence to the Police Department so that proper steps for impounding the dog for observation purposes may be made. The cost of impounding dogs for observation shall be borne by the owner of the animal. The fee shall be fifty cents per day and the impounding period shall be ten days.

Section 10. Every person owning or having charge, custody, control or possession of any dog shall not permit such animal to run at large or to run loose or unrestrained in, along or upon any public street, sidewalk or private property other than premises in the possession of such owner. Dogs upon any public street, sidewalk or private property other than premises owned or in the possession of the owner of such dog must be accompanied by a responsible person, and dogs in a public park must be restrained upon a leash.

Section 11. Every dog found running at large, loose or unrestrained on public street, sidewalk, public park or place other than its home premises shall be impounded by the Humane Officer for a period of five days and in the event the owner or possessor (or possessor) of said dog shall not, on or before the expiration of the said period, call for and claim said dog, paying a charge of \$2.00 pound fee, license fee if not paid, \$1.00 for each day that dog shall be impounded, said dog will be disposed of by Humane Officer as he sees fit.

Section 12. For the second offense of each dog found running at large, loose or unrestrained and when impounded by the Humane Officer, a charge of \$5.00 pound fee, license fee if not paid and \$1.00 for each day impounded will be required.

Section 13. For a third and succeeding offense, the pound fee shall be \$10.00, license fee if not paid, and \$1.00 for each day impounded.

Section 14. The Chief of Police through the Humane Officer shall have the right to dispose of impounded dogs as follows:

(a) Dogs not claimed during the above impounded period shall be disposed of by sale, for a fee of \$5.00 plus the current

Section 15. Every person owning or having charge, custody, control or possession of any dog shall not permit such animal to bark or howl continuously, or otherwise to be noisy to the extent of creating a nuisance.

Section 16. All cats running at large, uncared for, obviously wild or abandoned along or upon any public street or place in this City shall be impounded by the Humane Officer for a period of 72 hours and in the event the owner or possessor of said cat shall not, on or before the expiration of said period, call for and claim said cat, paying a charge of \$2.00 pound fee and fifty cents for each day that the cat shall be impounded said cat shall be disposed of by euthanasia.

Section 17. All cats obviously wild may be trapped or otherwise disposed of by the Chief of Police as he so directs.

Section 18. Every person, firm or corporation maintaining a dog kennel, which is defined herein as a place where five or more dogs are kept for sale or boarding or keeping the same for hire, shall pay a license fee of \$5.00 to the City of Redlands and fifty cents for each additional dog above five.

Section 19. That this License Ordinance shall not be deemed to apply to dogs under the age of three months, and which are kept within enclosures and not permitted to run at large. Each dog upon attaining the age of three months shall immediately be subject to this Ordinance.

Section 20. In the event the ^{dog} license issued hereunder is lost, destroyed or mutilated, the person to whom the same was issued may obtain another license therefore upon furnishing sufficient and satisfactory proof of such fact to the Chief of Police. A fee of twenty-five cents shall be paid to the said City for the issuance of another license in the place of the license lost, destroyed or mutilated. Any person who loses a dog license and who, after obtaining another therefor, finds the original license must surrender immediately the original license to the Chief of Police.

Section 21. Any person violating this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$100.00, or by imprisonment for a period not exceeding thirty days, or both such fine and imprisonment.

Section 22. That Ordinances No. 856 and No. 880 of the City of Redlands, be, and the same are hereby repealed.

Section 23. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage as provided by law.

Section 24. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance and shall cause the same to be published once in the Redlands Daily Facts, the newspaper hereby designated for that purpose.

Attest:

City Clerk

Mayor of the City of Redlands, California

I hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance was passed by the City Council of the City of Redlands, California, at a regular meeting thereof held on the day of , 1955, by the following vote, to wit:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Dated:

City Clerk.