

ORDINANCE NO. 341

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE VACCINATION AND LICENSING OF DOGS, FOR IMPOUNDING DOGS AND FOR DESTROYING UNLICENSED DOGS, AND REPEALING PRIOR ORDINANCES.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS:

SECTION 1. All owners of dogs more than six (6) months of age within the limits of the City of Las Animas shall obtain a license for such dog or dogs from the office of the City Clerk. Such license or licenses shall be renewable annually and for each male dog and for each female dog that has been spayed the owner of such dog shall pay and the City Clerk shall collect a fee of Two Dollars (\$2.00) and for each female dog that has not been spayed a fee of Five Dollars (\$5.00). All dog licenses issued hereunder shall expire December 31st of each year and shall not be pro-rated. Before issuing such licenses, the City Clerk shall require and the applicant for a license shall present to the City Clerk a certificate of vaccination issued by a qualified veterinarian showing that said animal has been vaccinated for rabies and designating the terminal date of the probable immunization which date shall extend beyond the period for which such license is issued. In addition to the certificate of vaccination for rabies, owners of spayed females shall present and the City Clerk shall require a certificate from a qualified veterinarian that such animal has been spayed. Upon payment of the fee herein established the City Clerk shall issue to the owner of such dog or dogs a receipt reciting the owners name, a description of the dog licensed and the number of the license issued for such animal and shall then issue to said owner a tag or disc bearing the year of issue, the name of the city and the license number corresponding with that mentioned in the receipt. The owner of each dog within the limits of the City of Las Animas shall provide said dog with a harness or collar to be worn by such dog to which harness or collar such license tag or disc shall be attached.

SECTION 2. It shall be the duty of the Police of the City of Las Animas to enforce the provisions of this Ordinance; a member of the force or official officer may be designated to be Pound Master. It shall be the duty of the Police of the City of Las Animas to impound all dogs in the City of Las Animas found without a collar or harness and license attached.

SECTION 3. Such dogs may be redeemed by the owners upon presentation of evidence that a license has been obtained for such dog and the payment of a redemption fee of Two

Dollars (\$2.00) has been made. Owners of dogs impounded for not having or wearing a license tag or disc shall have three (3) days from the date of impoundment in which to redeem such dog from the City Pound. Three (3) days after impoundment of any dog for not being licensed or for not wearing a license disc, the Police or Pound Master may destroy all such dogs in a humane manner.

SECTION 4. Any dog, licensed or unlicensed, which bites a person severely enough to result in a rupture or breaking of the bitten person's skin shall be impounded in the City Pound for a period of not less than ten (10) days for observation. If clinical symptoms of rabies does not develop within such observation period of ten (10) days said dog may be redeemed by its owner and by the Police returned to the owner upon evidence of payment of a redemption fee of Five Dollars (\$5.00).

SECTION 5. Any unvaccinated dog or dogs whose period of probable immunization has expired bitten by a known rabid animal shall be immediately destroyed provided that if such unvaccinated animal shall have a known owner that the owner of such dog may (a) at his expense, provide for strict isolation of the animal in a kennel or pound for six months observation period under the supervision of the City Health Officer, or (b) at such owner's expense, provide for post-exposure treatment and confinement of said animal in a kennel or pound for a period of three (3) months for observation under the supervision of the City Health Officer, and have such dog returned to him if in the opinion of the City Health Officer no clinical symptoms of rabies are apparent at the end of said observation period.

SECTION 6. Ordinance No. 112 and Ordinance No. 299 and all other Ordinances and parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 7. Any person violating any provision of this Ordinance for which the penalty is not otherwise herein specified shall be fined in a sum not to exceed \$300.00 or imprisoned for a period not to exceed 90 days in the event of non-payment of such fine.

SECTION 8. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after January 1, 1960.

Published once, read and passed. Adopted and approved on second and third reading and ordered published this 5th day of October, 1959.

APPROVED:
s/s A. F. COFFEY,
Mayor

ATTEST:
s/s D. A. McAFEE, City Clerk
Published in the Bent County Democrat October 9, 1959.

Certification to Ordinance 341

STATE OF COLORADO)
COUNTY OF BENT) SS.
CITY OF LAS ANIMAS)

I, D. A. Mc Afee, City Clerk of the City of Las Animas, Colorado, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing Ordinance was introduced, and read in full and passed on first reading at a regular meeting of the City Council on Tuesday the 1st day of September, 1959 and published in the Bent County Democrat in it's issue of September 9, 1959 and was finally passed adopted and approved at a regular meeting of the City Council held on the 5th day of October 1959 and ordered published in the Bent County Democrat in it's issue of October 9th, 1959 and numbered Ordinance No. 341 of the City of Las Animas, Bent County, Colorado, that said ordinance was published with said order on October 9th, 1959.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and the seal of the City of Las Animas, Colorado, this 10th day of October, 1959.

D. A. Mc Afee
D. A. Mc Afee, City Clerk