

ORDINANCE NO. 250

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 14 REGULATING THE LICENSING OF DOGS, PROHIBITING THE RUNNING AT LARGE OF DOGS AND PROVIDING FOR THE IMPOUNDING AND DISPOSITION OF DOGS BY THE CITY OF ROLLA, NORTH DAKOTA.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROLLA, NORTH DAKOTA:

Section 1. Any licensed or unlicensed dog running at large within the City, or any dog within the City not wearing a collar and valid City Dog License, or any dog not vaccinated for rabies as required herein, is hereby declared to be a public nuisance. A "dog running at large" is hereby defined as a dog running off of the premises of its owner or keeper when not being held on a leash.

Section 2. The owner or keeper of any dog shall pay a license thereon to the Chief of Police of said city of \$1.00 annually for each male dog and each spayed female dog; and the sum of \$3.00 for each other female dog. The burden of establishing that any female dog has been spayed shall be upon the owner thereof, and the \$3.00 female license shall be collected unless the owner shall furnish evidence to the Chief of Police, either by veterinarian's certificate, personal affidavit or otherwise that said dog has been spayed.

Section 3. Upon payment to such officer of the license upon any dog, he shall give to the person paying such license a receipt therefor and provide such person with a metal tag or badge with which to mark the dog so paid for.

Section 4. Every owner or keeper of a dog shall cause it to wear around the neck a collar to which the metal tag or badge furnished upon the payment of the license, shall be securely fastened.

Section 5. The dog license hereinbefore provided for shall become due upon the 1st day in January in each year and shall become delinquent on the 1st day of May in each year, and if not paid before the 1st day of May a penalty of \$1.00 shall be added to the license for the first thirty days of such delinquency and an additional \$.50 for each month of delinquency thereafter. Said licenses shall be paid and tags delivered at Policequarters in the City Hall. In case of failure by any such owner or keeper to pay such license upon any dog, such dog shall be surrendered up by the owner or keeper thereof for the purpose of being disposed of as hereinafter provided for, upon the demand of any police officer of the City.

Section 6. All money so collected by the Chief of Police shall be by him paid to the City Treasurer, as part of the general fund of said city.

Section 7. Any dog found within the City by a policeman or City employee designated to enforce this ordinance, in the act of running at large or being a nuisance, as defined in Section 1, shall be taken up by such policeman or employee and impounded at the City Dog Pound, where it shall be held for a period of 4 days. If during such period of four days the owner shall claim the same, and shall pay to the Chief of Police the license and any penalty thereon required for said dog, plus the sum of \$5.00 for the taking of said dog and \$1.00 per day for the care of said dog while in custody, the said dog shall be returned to him. If not

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1 so redeemed within four days, the Police Officer in charge of said
2 dog pound shall destroy the said dog, or in his discretion, he
3 shall be authorized to deliver the same to any person not a resident
4 of the city upon payment of the fees for taking and keeping above
5 referred to, or to any resident of Rolla, upon payment of the fees
6 for taking and keeping plus payment of the standard license fees,
7 without penalty, for such dog. When a dog so taken shall bear a
8 tag from which it is possible to ascertain the owner thereof,
9 personal, telephoned or written notice shall be given to the owner
10 of such taking, in order to permit him to redeem. A person
11 complaining that a dog is a nuisance shall make a detailed
12 complaint in writing, describing the dog, to the police department.

13 Section 8. Any dog biting any individual within the jurisdic-
14 tion of the City of Rolla shall be tied by the owner for a period
15 of 14 days after the biting incident, and if the owner fails to so
16 comply, then shall be impounded by the City Police for such period,
17 and in either case shall not be released except with the permission
18 of the City Health Officer, who shall be kept informed of the
19 condition of the dog. After any such required holding period, any
20 vicious or dangerous dog, upon being found at large by a police
21 officer or upon being delivered up to any police officer, or being
22 in the dog pound, shall forthwith be killed by said officer or by
23 any police officer of the city. Every dog shall be vaccinated
24 for rabies at least every 2 years and shall carry a tag showing
25 the date of vaccination.

26 Section 9. This Ordinance shall not be given second reading
27 until after vote of the electors of the City of Rolla has been
28 had, to determine the number of voters in favor of the ordinance
29 and the number of voters against the ordinance.

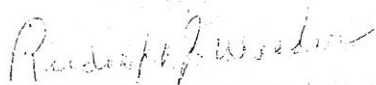
30 Section 10. Effective date. This ordinance shall be in full
31 force and effect and take effect immediately upon its final passage
32 and the publication of its title and penalty clause.

33 First reading: October 6th, 1969

34 Amended First Reading: October 13th, 1969

Second reading and final passage: December 1st, 1969

Approval: December 1st, 1969


RUDOLPH J. WALDER
Mayor, City of Rolla, N.D.

ATTEST:


VICTOR C. JACKSON
City Auditor.

Publication of title and penalty clauses; December 11th, 1969