

ORDINANCE NO. 51

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ADDISON PROVIDING THAT ALL DOGS, ABOVE THE AGE OF THREE MONTHS, BE VACCINATED AGAINST RABIES; PROVIDING THAT DOGS WEAR A VACCINATION TAG ISSUED BY A QUALIFIED VETERINARIAN; PROVIDING THAT SUCH VACCINATION TAG SHALL BE AT ALL TIMES ATTACHED TO THE COLLAR OR HARNESS AROUND THE NECK OF SUCH DOGS; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY NOT EXCEEDING ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00) FOR EACH OFFENSE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ADDISON, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That all dogs kept, harbored or maintained within the corporate limits of the City of Addison must be vaccinated for rabies at the age of three months, re-vaccinated at twelve months, and annually thereafter, by a licensed veterinarian.

SECTION 2. That whoever administers such vaccination shall issue to the owner or person having such dog vaccinated a certificate of vaccination, stating the name of the owner, the address where the dog is kept, description of the dog, date of vaccination, the number of the rabies vaccination tag, and the kind of vaccine used. He shall also furnish to the owner of such animal a metal tag, on one side of which is stamped "Rabies vaccine administered" or a similar phrase and the date of vaccination. Such tag shall at all times be securely attached to the collar or to a harness around the neck or body of the dog vaccinated.

SECTION 3. That such vaccination tag shall not be transferable from one dog to another.

SECTION 4. The term "dog" as used in this ordinance shall mean all members of the family "canidae", which includes dogs, wolves, jackals, foxes and all domesticated carnivorous animals.

SECTION 5. It shall be unlawful for any person to keep, harbor or maintain, within the corporate limits of the City of Addison, any dog which has not been vaccinated as set forth in this ordinance, and it shall further be unlawful for any person to keep, harbor or maintain within the corporate limits of the City of Addison any dog which does not at all times have the vaccination tag, required by this ordinance, securely attached to the collar or to a harness, around the neck or body of such dog.

SECTION 6. Any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon final conviction shall be fined not to exceed the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for each offense.

SECTION 7. The fact that there exists no ordinance regulating the vaccination of dogs for rabies within the city limits creates an emergency and an urgency and requires that this ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage and publication of the caption as the law in such cases provides.

DULY PASSED by the City Council of the City of Addison, Texas, on the 9 day of April, 1963.

APPROVED:

M. W. Morris
MAYOR

ATTEST:

Edna D. Lewis
CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

H. Louis Nichol
CITY ATTORNEY