

ORDINANCE NO. 175

An Ordinance providing definitions; requiring a license for dogs; providing for annual vaccination of dogs; providing for display of proof of vaccination and licensing; providing for a penalty not to exceed Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00); and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, IT IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE GENERAL HEALTH AND WELFARE OF THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF ADDISON, TEXAS TO PROVIDE FOR THE LICENSING, IMMUNIZATION, AND DISPLAY OF PROOF OF LICENSING AND IMMUNIZATION;

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

Sec. 1.01. "Dog" Defined.

For the purposes of this ordinance, the word "dog" shall mean all domesticated members of the family canidae but shall not include wolves, jackals, foxes or other wild or dangerous members of such family.

Sec. 1.02. Vaccination prerequisite to registration.

All dogs three months of age or over within the City are required to be immunized against rabies annually by a licensed veterinarian and means by any standard vaccine as approved by the Federal Government for the prevention of rabies. The licensed veterinarian who administers such vaccine shall issue to the owner of 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 rabies vaccination tag and the kind of vaccine used. He shall also furnish to the owner of such animal a metal tag one side of which is stamped "Rabies Vaccine Administered" or a similar phrase, and year of vaccination. Such tag shall at all times be securely attached to the collar or to a harness around the neck and body of the dog

vaccinated.

Sec. 1.03. Annual registration - required fee.

It shall be unlawful for the owner or harbinger of any dog to harbor or permit such dog within the city without having paid to the Assessor and Collector of Taxes an annual registration fee of Two Dollars (\$2.00) upon each dog, male or female, three months of age or over. The annual registration fee required by this section shall be due and payable as of July 1st of each calendar year and when paid shall be good for the year ending June 30th following. Neither the Assessor or Collector of Taxes or his deputy shall register any dog unless the applicant exhibits to the Tax Assessor and Collector the required certificate of vaccination.

Sec. 1.04. Tag to be attached to collar or harness.

Upon payment of annual registration fee, it shall be the duty of the Assessor and Collector of Taxes to furnish the owner of such animal a metal tag of distinctive design on one side of which is stamped the words "Registration Fee Paid" with the year for which same is paid and the serial number of the tag. Such tag shall at all times be securely attached to a collar or harness around the dog upon which the registration fee has been paid.

SECTION 2. That any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions or terms of this ordinance, and upon final conviction thereof, shall be subject to a fine not to exceed the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for each

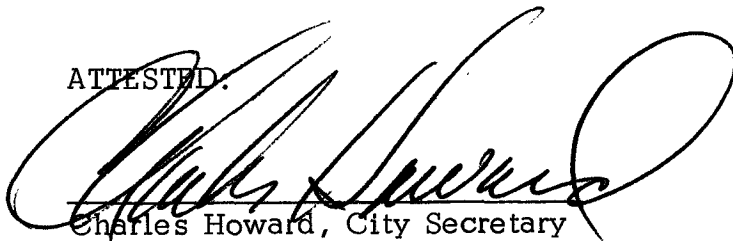
offense and that each day such violation shall continue to exist shall constitute a separate offense.

SECTION 3. WHEREAS, THE LICENSING AND IMMUNIZATION OF DOGS IS IN THE BEST PUBLIC INTEREST AND IS TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC INTEREST, COMFORT AND GENERAL WELFARE OF THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY AND CREATES AN URGENT AND AN EMERGENCY FOR THE PRESERVATION OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE AND REQUIRES THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY FROM AND AFTER ITS PASSAGE AND PUBLICATION OF THE CAPTIONED AS THE LAW IN SUCH CASES PROVIDES.

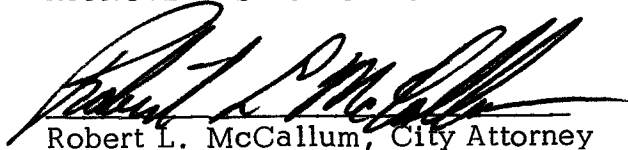
PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ADDISON, TEXAS ON THE 1<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF July, 1974.

  
MAYOR

ATTESTED:

  
Charles Howard, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
Robert L. McCallum, City Attorney