

ORDINANCE NO. 251

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE KEEPING AND HARBORING OF DOGS; PROVIDING LICENSE FEES THEREFOR; PROVIDING FOR CONTROL OF RABIES; AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NUMBER 226.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLDEN, COLORADO:

Section 1. DEFINITIONS.

For the purpose of this ordinance, certain terms and words are here-with defined as follows:

DOG: Any animal of canine species regardless of sex.

DOG, MALE: Any dog of masculine gender either castrated or not castrated.

DOG, SPAYED FEMALE: Any female dog on which an ovariectomy or ovari-hysterectomy has been performed by a licensed Veterinarian and accompanied by a certificate asserting said operation has been performed.

DOG, FEMALE: Any dog of the female gender on which no alterative surgery of the genital organs has been performed.

DOG, STRAY: Any unlicensed dog found unattached or loose anywhere within the city limits.

RABIES: A communicable disease of domestic animals transmittible to humans. As defined by "PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT."

"Specific infectious disease of certain animals, especially dogs and wolves, contracted by man by direct inoculation as by bite of infected animal and due to a filtrable virus"—as defined in Dorland's Medical Dictionary.

Section 2. That no dog shall be kept or harbored within the city limits of the City of Golden, Colorado, unless the owner, keeper or person in charge of any such animal shall, before the first day of May of each year, pay to the City of Golden the sum of Three and 50/100 (\$3.50) Dollars for each and every male dog and spayed female and Seven (\$7.00) Dollars for each and every unspayed female dog owned, kept or harbored. The owner, keeper or person in charge of any dog or dogs shall also cause to be placed upon the neck of every dog so owned, kept or harbored, a collar made of durable material, having attached thereto a metal tag to be furnished by the City Clerk-Treasurer, the number of such tag corresponding with the number of the license to be issued to the owner, keeper or person in charge of the dog or dogs. Said collar with the tag attached thereto shall be kept on each dog at all times. That the City Clerk-Treasurer shall issue to the owner, keeper or person in charge of a dog, a duplicate license tag to replace lost or stolen tags upon payment of 25 cents.

Section 3. The owner, keeper or person in charge of any dog brought into the City of Golden after the first day of May of any year, shall immediately procure a license for such animal as hereinabove provided.

Section 4. A metal license tag will be furnished by the City Clerk-Treasurer upon receipt of an application made, upon a form supplied by the said City, together with a certificate from the City Veterinarian that the dog has been vaccinated for Rabies, together with the payment of the required fee.

Section 5. Each dog shall be vaccinated against rabies; such vaccination to be repeated annually thereafter.

A. Dogs shall be vaccinated by any veterinarian licensed to practice veterinary medicine in the State of Colorado. A certificate of vaccination in duplicate shall be completed by the Veterinarian, one copy to be issued to the dog owner and affixed to the license application, and one retained in the Veterinarian's files.

B. The City shall pay the City Veterinarian the fee for administering the vaccination up to and including the sum of \$1.00 for each dog so vaccinated, as certified by said City Veterinarian.

Section 6. No dog shall be licensed as provided in Section 1, unless a valid certificate of rabies vaccination accompanies the request for such a license.

Section 7. Adequate provision shall be made by the City of Golden for patrolling to control and enforce the provisions of this Ordinance, which shall be carried out by the Police Department.

A. Stray dogs will be picked up by the Police Department and impounded for a period not to exceed three (3) days if they are healthy, after such period if they are not claimed by the owner said dogs will be destroyed. All dogs claimed by owner will not be released until the board charge is paid. If stray dogs are licensed, the owner will be notified upon impounding. A board fee for dogs maintained in the pound shall be \$1.00 per day.

Section 8. Dogs which have bitten persons or other animals, and dogs which are suspected of having rabies, shall be kept in a suitable, authorized place under veterinary supervision for not less than 14 days.

A. Authorization to be given by City Health Officer or City Veterinarian.

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Section 9. Dogs known to have been bitten, or exposed to a rabid animal must be destroyed or detained in suitable quarantine for a period of not less than six (6) months, unless proof of immunization is shown and "booster" injections given by a licensed Veterinarian at the dog owner's expense.

Section 10. Rules and regulations shall be promulgated by the City Health Officer, if, in his judgment, such rules and regulations are necessary in view of pending epidemics threatening the City of Golden.

A. The Health Officer shall give proper and adequate notice to all dog owners, upon the recognition of such an epidemic.

Section 11. Rabies in animals is hereby declared a reportable disease and upon recognition shall be reported to the Health Officer of the City of Golden, who in turn shall report the facts to the Colorado State Department of Public Health.

Section 12. Transient dogs or tourist dogs need not be licensed provided they will be in the City less than forty-five (45) days and that they are confined in a suitable enclosure or maintained on a leash and are accompanied by a health certificate and rabies vaccination certificate from their state or place of origin.

Introduced and read this 6th day of January, 1949.

Passed and approved this 3rd day of March, 1949.

Signed: E. L. BARNHARDT,
Mayor Pro-Tem.

EARL P. WAGNER,
City Clerk-Treasurer.

I, Earl P. Wagner, City Clerk-Treasurer of the City of Golden, Colorado, do hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance was introduced and read at a regular meeting of the City Council of said City held on the 6th day of January 1949, and by order of the said City Council was published as a proposed ordinance as the law directs, and for more than ten days prior to its passage in the Colorado Transcript, legal newspaper; and that on the 3rd day of March, 1949, the said proposed ordinance was read and passed by the City Council aforesaid, the said meeting being a regular meeting of said City Council, and ordered published in aforesaid newspaper as the law directs.

Witness my hand and official seal of the City of Golden, Colorado, this 3rd day of March, 1949.

(SEAL) EARL P. WAGNER,
City Clerk-Treasurer.