Commonwealth of the Philippines
Department of the Interior
QUEZON CITY
City Council

ORDINANCE NUMBERED 32

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE LICENSING OF DOGS; PRESCRIBING THE LICENSE FEES THEREFOR AND PROHIBITING THE RUNNING AT LARGE OF OTHER ANIMALS.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Quezon City, that:

SECTION 1. Licenses. - No person shall own or keep any dog over three months of age without first having obtained a license therefor.

SEC. 2. Annual fees. - There shall be paid for every license granted for the keeping of any dog, the sum of fifty centavos per annum for male dogs and the sum of onepesos per annum for female dogs.

SEC. 3. License year. - The license year for dogs shall be from January first to December thirty-first, inclusive, but the City Treasurer may issue the license provided for in this Ordinance semi-annually and shall collect a proportionate amount of the license fee for said part of the year. The fee for the said license shall be due and payable on the first day of January of each year; and if tendered after February fifteenth, the license shall be subject to a penalty of fifty per centum of the amount due which shall be collected and accounted for at the same time and in the same manner as the original license fee. Within the first fifteen days of each semester the license fee may be paid, without penalty, on all dogs arriving at the age of three months after February fifteenth and on all dofs brought into the city from any otherrplace after paid date. Failure tompay the license fee and penalty herein provided within ten days counted from the time they respectively fall due to the city treasurer or any of his authorized representative shall subject the dog on which such license fee and penalty are due to confiscation and disposal in accordance with law.

SEC. 4. Collars with tags; muzzles. - The owner or keeper of any dog required to be licensed by this Ordinance shall provide a leather or metal collar to which the tag hereinafter provided for shall be securely attached. Such owner or keeper shall also muzzle the dog as prescribed by the City Engineer.

SEC. 5. Register; tags furnished.- The City treasurer shall keep a register of all licensed dogs, describing the same by name, breed, color, sex, and shall also enter the name and address of the owner or keeper and the number of the license tag. A metal tag, the design of which shall be changed from year to year, shall be provided by the city treasurer for every dog so licensed.

SEC. 6. Unlicensed dogs impounded, result.- The city engineer and the police shall cause to be taken up and impounded all dogs which have not the proper license tags attached to their collars found at large in the streets or public places. Every dog so impounded shall be held for a period of three days from the date of its impounding, at the expiration of which time it shall be held or killed under the direction of the city engineer if not redeemed. Any impounded dog is found to have any of the following diseases, it shall be killed immediately; Rabies, mange, distemper, granuloma (infectious venereal), surra, chorea, paralysis, extreme emaciation, hemorrhoids, prolapse of the vagina or anus, canker of the ear, dislocations and broken bons, or any other disease, which in the opinion of the city veterinarian is sufficient for the killing of such dog. The decision of the city veterinarian shall be final as to whether or not an impounded dog is suffering from any of the diseases or conditions.

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SEC. 7. Redemtion of unlisensed dogs. - Any unlicensed dog so impounded may be redeemed by the owner or keeper thereof, within the said three days on payment of the license fee, impounding fee, and for maintenance during its stay in the pound.

SEC. 8. Sale, procedure for; redemption by owner.- In case of sale, the dog shall become the property of the highest bidder (unless redeemed as in this Ordinance provided). All such bids shall be submitted to the poundkeeper in writing on regular forms which can be forwarded by him, together with a statement of all fees due on said dog, tothe citybtreasurer where such payment shall be made. The dog may be redeemed by the owner at any time within one month of the sake on payment to the purchaser of the actual expenses. If not so redeemed, it shall become the absolute property of the purchaser.

SEC. 9. Vaccination. - Every dog before leaving the pound shall be vaccinated by the city veterinarian with antirabies )Pasteur) vaccine, for which a vaccination fee of onepesos shall be charged.

SEC. 10. Muzzling of dogs.- It shall be unlawful for the owner or person having control or possession of any dog to allowthe same to run at large unless properly muzzled, and if any such dog be found at large in any public street or place, or upon any other premises it shall be seized and impounded by the police or anynother agent of the city engineer. In case of conviction for the above offens,e the sentence may include a statement ϕto the effect that the owner or keeper of person having control or possession of such animal, in case he desires to redeem the animal, pay the impounding fee and maintenance during its impoundment, or in case of nonredemption at the expiration of three days from the date of the sentence, the said animal be sold or killed; Provided, That if the owner of such dog be not located within five days from the date the dog is impounded, it shall be killed or sold.

SEC. 11. Dogs which are nuisances. - Any dog which disturbs the peace and quiet of the neighborhood by constant barking or whinning, or which is, by reason of disease, malformation, or accident, an object of disgust, may, upon petition, signed by five or more resident of the neighborhood, be declared a nuisance by the City Council, who shall in such case notify the owner or keeper of such dog to that effect, and said owner or keeper shall remove or kill itnwithin three days.

SEC. 12. Animals running at large.- It shall be unlawful to permit any horse or other draft animals, hogs, swine, cattle, large or small, turkeys, geese, and ducks to run loose or at large, and the owner shall be responsible for all damage caused by such animals and ...her above enumerated for reasonable expenses of ...e and ...ody of the same.

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