

NO. 4-13-81

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING VACCINATIONS
FOR DOGS, PROHIBITING THE RUNNING
AT LARGE OF DOGS, AND PROVIDING FOR
IMPOUNDMENT AND DISPOSITION OF DOGS
FOUND RUNNING AT LARGE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMP WOOD:

1. Every owner of a dog within the City of Camp Wood, Texas, shall have such dog vaccinated against rabies by the time such dog is four months of age, and at least once in every twelve-month period thereafter. If a dog is more than four months of age on the effective date of this ordinance, and has not been vaccinated within the preceding twelve months, then such dog shall be vaccinated against rabies within sixty days from the effective date of this ordinance. Each owner shall obtain from the veterinarian vaccinating the dog a certificate in form approved by the Texas Board of Health.

2. It is unlawful for the owner of a dog to permit the dog to run at large within the city limits. A dog is running at large if the dog is present at any place other than the premises of the owner, except that a dog is not running at large if it is on a leash and under the control of a person physically able to control it.

3. Whenever the City dog warden finds a dog running at large, he shall, if possible, take possession of and impound the dog in the City dog pound. If an impounded dog bears a collar tag or license identifying the owner, the owner shall promptly be notified by certified mail, return receipt requested, of such impoundment. Any impounded dog shall be held for a period of not less than seven days from the date of impoundment.

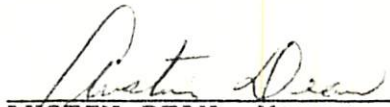
4. Upon the expiration of not less than seven days from the date of impoundment, if the dog has not been reclaimed as hereinafter provided, then it shall be humanely euthanized.

5. The owner of an impounded dog may at any time prior to the euthanization of the dog reclaim it by presenting a vaccination certificate for the dog dated within the preceding twelve months, and by paying to the City the reasonable cost of maintaining the dog plus an impoundment fee of fifteen (\$15.00) dollars. If the owner does not present the vaccination certificate herein required, the City may have the dog vaccinated prior to relinquishing it to the owner, and shall add the cost thereof to the impoundment fee.


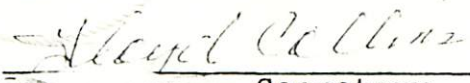
6. A person commits an offense if he knowingly or willingly violates Sections 1 or 2 of this ordinance. An offense is punishable by a fine upon conviction not exceeding \$200.00.

7. This ordinance shall take effect ten (10) days after its passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13 day of April, 1981.


AUSTIN DEAN, Mayor

ATTEST:



Secretary

6. The owner of an impounded dog may at any time prior to the expiration of the dog remain in the pound, and by paying to the City the reasonable cost of maintaining the dog plus an impoundment fee of fifteen (\$15.00) dollars. If the owner does not present the vaccination certificate herein required, the dog may have the dog vaccinated prior to returning it to the owner, and shall not be charged for the impoundment fee.

7. A person commits an offense if he knowingly or willfully violates Sections 1 or 2 of this ordinance. An offense is punishable by a fine upon conviction not exceeding \$500.00.

8. This ordinance shall take effect on the day after its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 1981.

_____ Mayor

_____ Secretary

