

ORDINANCE NO. 1192

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GORDON, NEBRASKA, AMENDING THE RABIES CERTIFICATE; LICENSING; FEE REGULATIONS; REPEALING CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GORDON, NEBRASKA:

SECTION 1. The following sections of Chapter 3, Article II, rabies certificate; licensing; fee, be and hereby are amended to read as follows:

SECTION 3-203: RABIES CERTIFICATE; LICENSING; FEE

A. Any person who shall own, keep, or harbor a dog over the age of four months within the city shall within 30 days after acquisition of the said dog acquire a license for each animal annually by or before January 1 each year. Application shall be made upon a printed form provided by the city, upon which the owner shall state his or her name and address and the name, breed, color, and sex of each dog owned and kept by him or her. A certificate stating that the dog has had a rabies shot, effective for the ensuing year of the license, shall be presented when the license is applied for and no license or tag shall be issued until the certificate is shown. If the dog has been spayed or neutered, a statement signed by a veterinarian verifying the spaying or neutering must be presented.

B. Upon payment of the license fee, as set by resolution of the City Council, the city clerk or other employee designated by the city manager shall issue to the dog owner a license certificate and a metallic tag for each animal so licensed. The city shall, in addition to the license tax imposed, collect from the licensee a fee of \$1.25. The city clerk shall retain 3¢ from the said fee and remit the balance to the state treasurer for credit to the Commercial Dog and Cat Operator Inspection Program Cash Fund. Said remittance shall be made at least annually at the conclusion of the city's fiscal year, except that in the event the city has collected less than \$50.00 during the fiscal year, the city clerk may remit the fees when the cumulative amount of fees collected reaches \$50.00. The amounts collected shall be immediately credited to the general fund along with the license fees.

C. The said dog tax shall be delinquent from and after January 10; provided, the possessor of any dog brought into or harbored within the corporate limits subsequent to January 1 shall be liable for the payment of the dog tax levied herein and such tax shall be delinquent if not paid within 10 days thereafter. It shall be the duty of the city clerk or other employee designated by the city manager to issue tags of a suitable design that are different in appearance each year.

D. The metallic tag shall be properly attached to the collar or harness of every dog so licensed and shall entitle the owner to keep or harbor the said animal until December 31. Said licenses shall not be transferable and no refund will be allowed in case of death, sale, or other disposition of the licensed dog.

