

CITY OF LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN, GEORGIA

ORDINANCE NO. 6

AN ORDINANCE

TO ADD TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES of the City of Lookout Mountain, Georgia provisions relating to Dogs and Other Animals; Dog Licenses;

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Lookout Mountain, Georgia and it is hereby ordained:

Section 1. The following Chapters are herewith added to the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lookout Mountain, Georgia:

CHAPTER 5

SECTION 5-1

DOGS AND OTHER ANIMALS

The following definitions shall apply in the interpretations and enforcement of this article.

(a) Dog. The word "dog" shall mean a dog or all canines of either sex, whether vaccinated against rabies or not vaccinated against rabies.

(b) Rabies Certificate. The words "rabies certificate" shall mean a certificate signed by a licensed veterinarian bearing a license number, name and address of owner, breed, color and sex of the dog, which shall be issued to the owner of each dog vaccinated.

(c) Vaccinate or Inoculate. The words "vaccinate or inoculate" shall mean the injection of an approved dosage of anti-rabic vaccine into the body of a dog using a vaccine which has the United States government license number stamped on the label of the vaccine container and which has been approved by the Walker County Health Department.

(d) Veterinarian. The word "veterinarian" shall mean a person who holds a license to practice the profession of veterinary medicine in the State of Georgia or in the State of Tennessee.

(e) Vaccination Tag. The words "vaccination tag" shall mean a metal tag issued by authority of the City of Lookout Mountain, Georgia, and bearing a serial number, to show that such dog has been vaccinated as required by this chapter.

SECTION 5-2

CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

No person shall beat, punish, starve or otherwise inhumanly treat any dog, cat, horse, pony or any other animal, whether herein specifically enumerated or not, within the city.

SECTION 5-3

HOGS - PERMITTED WITHIN CERTAIN LIMITS OF STREETS AND ADJOINING LANDOWNERS

No person shall keep any hog in the city within 30 feet of any public street or highway, or within 1,000 feet of the residence of any other person without the written consent of such person and the written consent of adjoining landowners, irrespective of how far a hog may be kept from the boundary lines of such adjoining landowners. Such written consent shall be filed with the City Clerk and shall be binding from the time expressed therein but not longer than 12 months from such date of filing.

SECTION 5-4

SANITARY REQUIREMENTS

Any person keeping any animal in the city shall keep his premises clean and free from filth and stench. Each person shall clean each animal pen or other enclosure at least once every ten days and keep the same well sprinkled with lime or other deodorant.

SECTION 5-5

BIRD SANCTUARY - ESTABLISHED;
CITY BOUNDARIES TO CONSTITUTE

The city shall constitute a bird sanctuary, the limits and boundaries of which shall correspond to the limits and boundaries of the city as they now exist, or may hereafter be changed.

SECTION 5-6

KILLING, ETC. BIRDS WITHIN SANCTUARY

It shall be unlawful for any person to kill, wound, molest, trap or capture any bird within the limits or boundaries of said sanctuary.

SECTION 5-7

Each person owning or having possession or control of any dog shall have the same licensed and vaccinated or inoculated each year as hereinafter provided.

SECTION 5-8

LICENSE FOR DOGS

No license for any dog shall be issued except upon presentation to the city authorities of a rabies certificate dated during the calendar year in which the license is issued. The fee for each dog license shall be \$2.00 per animal for which a metal or plastic tag suitable for attachment to the animal's collar shall be issued, bearing the serial number of the dog's license. Licenses shall be issued to be effective May 1st of each year and shall expire one year thereafter.

SECTION 5-9

Each such dog license shall be issued by the Chief of Police or such other person as may be designated by him. He shall keep or cause to be kept a full and complete record of all licenses issued and of the amounts collected for the same which shall be promptly turned over to the city treasurer.

SECTION 5-10

The Chief of Police and such other person or persons as may be designated by him shall be authorized to impound and after 10 days dispose of all dogs at large not licensed as aforesaid and wearing when captured the tag evidencing such license. Said Chief of Police is authorized to charge such suitable fees and make such reasonable arrangements as may be necessary or advisable for the care of such dogs during impoundment.

SECTION 5-11

CONFINEMENT OF CERTAIN DOGS

Dogs less than 3 months of age shall be confined to the owner's premises and shall not be allowed to run at large. Dogs of less than such age, while so confined, shall not be required to be licensed.

SECTION 5-12

FEMALE DOGS

It shall be unlawful for any person to allow any female dog while in heat to run at large within the city. The city authorities shall be authorized to take up, confine and dispose of any such female dog without advance notice to the owner.

SECTION 5-13

VICIOUS DOGS

It shall be unlawful for any person owning a vicious dog to permit such dog to go upon any of the streets of the city or upon the properties of any person other than the owner or person in possession and control of such dog. Any dog going upon the streets of the city or upon any such other property shall be disposed of in such manner as the Chief of Police or such person as may be designated by him may deem most appropriate for the safety of the people of the city.

SEC. 5-14 - 5-19. Reserved.

Section 2. Severability:

If any section, subsection, sentence, or clause in this Ordinance or of the Chapter of the City Code hereby adopted be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance or Code as a whole or of any section, sub-section, sentence, or clause hereof or thereof not adjudged invalid.

Section 3. Part of Code of Ordinances:

It is the intention of the governing body and it is hereby ordained that the provisions of this ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lookout Mountain, Georgia, and the sections of this ordinance may be renumbered to accomplish such intention.

Section 4. Effective Date:

This ordinance shall be effective ten days after its adoption and approval by at least three members of the Council of this City after two readings at least one week apart.

Approved on first reading on March 20, 1969.

James B. Sims
Member of City Council of Lookout Mountain, Ga.

Walter M. Patton
Member of City Council of Lookout Mountain, Ga.

John E. Anas
Member of City Council of Lookout Mountain, Ga.

John D. Johnson
Member of City Council of Lookout Mountain, Ga.

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Member of City Council of Lookout Mountain, Ga.

Howard D. Dudley
Mayor of Lookout Mountain, Ga.

Approved and adopted on second reading on March 31, 1969.

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ATTEST: Stacy Warner
City Clerk of Lookout Mountain, Ga.

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