

Affidavit of Publication

STATE OF NEVADA,
County of Washoe—SS.

Mary Hefling

being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the

Record Clerk

of The SPARKS TRIBUNE, a weekly newspaper,
published in Sparks, Washoe County, Nevada; that
he has charge of and knows the advertising ap-
pearing in said newspaper, and the

Notice of County Ordinance

Adoption of Ordinances:

~~Bill No. 712, Ordinance No. 541~~

~~Bill No. 713, Ordinance No. 542~~

Bill No. 714, Ordinance No. 543

of which a copy is hereunto attached, was first
published in said newspaper in its issue dated

May 19, 19 82

and was published in each of the following issues

thereafter: May 26, 1982

the date of the last publication being in the issue

of May 26, 19 82

Mary Hefling

Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the

26th day of May, 19 82

Loretta Dickerson

Notary Public in and for the County of Washoe,
State of Nevada.

My Commission expires: October 25, 1984

NOTICE OF COUNTY ORDINANCE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following ordinances were adopted on Tuesday, May 11, 1982, by Commissioners Farr, Ferrari, Brown, Underwood and Williams:
Bill No. 712, Ordinance No. 541, amending Ordinance No. 380, entitled: "An Ordinance regulating authorization of travel and traveling expenses for Washoe County Officers and employees; declaring policy of the Board of County Commissioners; requiring prior approval of travel on County business; allowing reimbursement for travel expenses; establishing a travel revolving fund; establishing amounts to be allowed in advance for traveling expenses; providing for supplemental departmental travel regulations; providing for reimbursement of expenses incurred in connection with the conduct of County business at business meal meetings; providing for reimbursement for meals purchased for patients, wards, prisoners or inmates; providing for reimbursement for moving expenses in certain cases; rescinding that certain unentitled resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners on June 7, 1971, regulating travel for County employees; rescinding a resolution creating the County travel revolving fund adopted by the Board of County Commissioners on June 26, 1972; repealing Ordinance No. 232; and providing other matters properly relating thereto," by correcting the mileage allowance for the use of private vehicles by County employees; increasing the amount allowed for meal expenses under certain

circumstances and deleting allowances for certain business meal expenses.

Bill No. 713, Ordinance No. 542, amending Ordinance No. 220, entitled: "An Ordinance prohibiting unauthorized parking of vehicles on posted parking lots and property operated, owned or controlled by Washoe County; authorizing towing away of vehicles illegally parked on such lots or property at the expense of vehicle owners; providing when vehicles license plates constitute prima facie evidence; providing penalties; and providing other matters properly relating thereto" by providing for specifically designated handicapped parking zones; and making certain technical corrections.


Bill No. 714, Ordinance No. 543, amending Ordinance No. 226, entitled, "An Ordinance providing for the licensing and inoculation against rabies of dogs in designated congested areas of the unincorporated area of Washoe County; provides for special permits to maintain in excess of three dogs; prohibits dogs running at large or trespassing on private property; provides for the quarantine of biting animals; provides for the designation of the poundkeeper and the impoundment of animals found in violation of the provisions of this ordinance; providing for regulations for impoundment, destruction and release of animals; prohibits the keeping of noisy animals; provides for the impounding of all dogs endangering private or public property, public safety, themselves, or other animals; provides penalties for non-compliance with the provisions hereof; and other matters properly relating thereto" by redefining the duties of the Animal Control Officer; by providing a grace period for compliance with certain license requirements; by eliminating the proration of, and increasing the fees for, certain licenses; by revising structural requirements for kennels; by revising the procedure for quarantine of biting animals; and by making unlawful certain activities of animals under any circumstances.

Typewritten copies of the Ordinances are available for inspection by all interested persons at the Office of the County Clerk.

Judi Bailey,
County Clerk

Pub: May 19, 26, 1982

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 LORETTA DICKERSON
Notary Public - State of Nevada
Washoe County
My Appointment Expires Oct. 25, 1984

SUMMARY: Amends Ordinance 226 by redefining duties of Animal Control Officer; by providing grace period for compliance with certain license requirements; by eliminating proration of, and increasing fees for, certain licenses; by revising structural requirements for kennels; by revising procedure for quarantine of biting animals; and by making unlawful certain activities of animals under any circumstances.

BILL NO. 714

ORDINANCE NO. 543

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE LICENSING AND INOCULATION AGAINST RABIES OF DOGS IN DESIGNATED CONGESTED AREAS OF THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF WASHOE COUNTY; PROVIDES FOR SPECIAL PERMITS TO MAINTAIN IN EXCESS OF THREE DOGS; PROHIBITS DOGS RUNNING AT LARGE OR TRESPASSING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY; PROVIDES FOR THE QUARANTINE OF BITING ANIMALS; PROVIDES FOR THE DESIGNATION OF A POUNDKEEPER AND THE IMPOUNDMENT OF ANIMALS FOUND IN VIOLATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR REGULATIONS FOR IMPOUNDMENT, DESTRUCTION AND RELEASE OF ANIMALS; PROHIBITS THE KEEPING OF NOISY ANIMALS; PROVIDES FOR THE IMPOUNDING OF ALL DOGS ENDANGERING PRIVATE OR PUBLIC PROPERTY, PUBLIC SAFETY, THEMSELVES, OR OTHER ANIMALS; PROVIDES PENALTIES FOR NONCOMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS HEREOF; AND OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY RELATING THERETO" BY REDEFINING THE DUTIES OF THE ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER; BY PROVIDING A GRACE PERIOD FOR COMPLIANCE WITH CERTAIN LICENSE REQUIREMENTS; BY ELIMINATING THE PRORATION OF, AND INCREASING THE FEES FOR, CERTAIN LICENSES; BY REVISING STRUCTURAL REQUIREMENTS FOR KENNELS; BY REVISING THE PROCEDURE FOR QUARANTINE OF BITING ANIMALS; AND BY MAKING UNLAWFUL CERTAIN ACTIVITIES OF ANIMALS UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES.

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF WASHOE DO ORDAIN:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Washoe County Ordinance No. 226 is hereby amended to read as follows:

SECTION 1. Definitions.

As used in this ordinance, unless the context otherwise requires:

- A. "Animal bite" includes any tear, scratch, puncture, abrasion or bruising of human skin by the claws, paws or teeth of any animal.
- B. "Animal Control Center" means the facility designated by the Board of County Commissioners for impoundment, care and disposal of animals.
- C. "Animal Control Officer" includes the animal control officer, his deputies and authorized representatives.

- D. "At large" includes every instance in which an animal is found to be beyond the custody and control of its owner or other person responsible therefor. An animal is deemed to be "at large" when it is found off the premises of its owner or other person responsible therefor and not accompanied and under immediate control by physical restraint or by signal or voice.
- E. "Congested area" includes any area of the County so designated by the Board of County Commissioners and described in section 21 of this ordinance.
- F. "County" means Washoe County.
- G. "Kennel" means an enclosure where more than 3 dogs over 6 months of age are kept and maintained.
- H. "Owner" includes any person who owns, keeps or harbors any animal.

SECTION 2. Section 2 of Washoe County Ordinance No. 226 is hereby amended to read as follows:

SECTION 2. Authority of Animal Control Officer.

The Animal Control Officer, appointed by the Board of County Commissioners, is empowered to enforce all provisions of this ordinance and all laws of the State relating to the care, treatment, impoundment and disposal of animals. The Animal Control Officer may appoint such deputies as may be necessary to exercise the enforcement powers conferred hereby.

SECTION 3. Section 5 of Washoe County Ordinance No. 226 is hereby amended to read as follows:

SECTION 5. Licenses, Permits, Vaccination and Fees.

- A. Except as otherwise provided in this ordinance, it is unlawful for the owner of any dog to keep or maintain the dog in any congested area unless it is licensed as hereinafter provided. A license must be obtained not later than 30 days from the date on which the dog is maintained or kept on a continuing basis.
- B. The fee for a license is \$6 and shall be paid to the Animal Control Officer. The license shall be renewed annually within 30 days from the expiration date of the license.
- C. Upon exhibition of the proper certificate of vaccination pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph D of this section and payment of the license fee, the Animal Control Officer shall issue a certificate

stating the license year for which the license fee is paid, a description of the dog, the date of payment and the name and residence address of the person to whom the license is issued. The Animal Control Officer shall also issue a metal or plastic tag numbered to correspond with the license or certificate of registry with the license year stamped thereon.

- D. The Animal Control Officer, his deputy or authorized representative shall not issue a license for any dog until:
- (1) The dog has been vaccinated with canine rabies vaccine by a doctor licensed to practice veterinary medicine in the state in which the dog was vaccinated, and the owner of the dog produces a certificate of vaccination with an expiration date which is not sooner than six months of the date of application for the license. Each certificate of vaccination shall expire as noted on the vaccination certificate, shall set forth the name and address of the owner of the dog, contain sufficient information to identify the dog vaccinated and the date of the vaccination and specify the type and lot of the vaccine used; or
 - (2) The owner of the dog furnishes a statement from a doctor of veterinary medicine that the dog should not be vaccinated.
- E. The owner of the dog for which a license has been issued shall attach the tag to a suitable collar around the dog's neck. If such tag is lost the owner shall procure a duplicate tag and pay a fee of \$2.00 therefor. Licensed dogs confined on the premises of the owner are not required to wear a license tag and collar while so confined; however, the owner shall produce evidence of current licensing upon request by the Animal Control Officer.

SECTION 4. Section 9 of Washoe County Ordinance No. 226 is hereby amended to read as follows:

SECTION 9. Permit Procedure.

- A. Application for a special permit shall be made to the Animal Control Officer. The application shall specify the number of dogs for which a special permit is requested. Upon receipt of the application, the Animal Control Officer shall notify each person residing within 200 feet of the location at which the dogs will be kept or main-

tained that an application has been received for a special permit. The Animal Control Officer shall also inspect the premises for which the application for a permit is made to determine that:

- (1) Keeping the dogs at the location specified in the application will not violate any ordinance of the County, regulation of the Washoe County District Board of Health or any law of the State of Nevada;
- (2) The premises contain an adequate enclosure for keeping the dogs;
- (3) Maintenance of the dogs will not endanger the peace, health or safety of persons residing in Washoe County;
- (4) The premises are capable of being maintained in a clean and sanitary condition, and any dog therein will not be subject to neglect, cruelty or abuse;
- (5) Keeping and maintenance of the dogs will not constitute a nuisance as defined in NRS 40.140.

B. The dogs which are the subject of the special permit must be kept in a kennel. The kennel shall:

- (1) Be not less than 6 feet in width by 10-1/2 feet in length by 6 feet in height (540 cubic feet) for four small size dogs such as toy poodles, pekingese and chihuahuas. The width of the kennel shall be increased by 2 feet for each additional dog.
- (2) Be not less than 14 feet in width by 12 feet in length by 6 feet in height (1,008 cubic feet) for four medium size dogs such as laborador retrievers, German shepherds and collies. The width of the kennel shall be increased by 4 feet for each additional dog.
- (3) Be not less than 18 feet in width by 20 feet in length by 6 feet in height (2,160 cubic feet) for four large size dogs such as Saint Bernards and Great Danes. The width of the kennel shall be increased by 6 feet for each additional dog.
- (4) Be constructed of not less than 11 gauge chain link fence or of other material of equal strength upon approval of the Animal Control Officer.

- (5) Have a concrete floor. Wood, gravel or dirt flooring is permitted if the kennel walls have concrete footings not less than 24 inches in depth. The walls of the kennel shall be securely fixed to the concrete floor or footings. When deemed necessary by the Animal Control Officer, the top of the kennel shall be enclosed and shall be securely attached to the walls.
- (6) Contain an area sheltered from adverse climatic conditions to which the dogs have access at all times.

Width and length of kennels may be altered upon approval of the Animal Control Officer provided that the overall cubic foot size requirements specified above are met.

- C. Within 10 days following the inspection of the premises, the Animal Control Officer shall approve, conditionally approve, or disapprove the application for the special permit. If the application is conditionally approved, the Animal Control Officer shall specify in writing those conditions upon which the special permit will be issued.
- D. If the applicant or any person notified pursuant to Paragraph A of this Section is dissatisfied with any decision of the Animal Control Officer, he may, within 15 days after the decision, appeal it to the Board of County Commissioners. The Board shall consider such evidence as is presented relating to the decision of the Animal Control Officer and may reverse, approve or modify the decision of the Animal Control Officer by a simple majority vote.
- E. If an application for a special permit is disapproved or the Board of County Commissioners reverses the decision of the Animal Control Officer to approve the permit, the applicant, within 30 days of the disapproval or reversal, shall comply with the provisions contained in Section 8 of this ordinance.
- F. Failure of the Animal Control Officer to render a decision within 90 days from the date of application shall constitute approval of the application for a special permit.
- G. A special permit is not required and the provisions of Paragraph B, above, do not apply to kennels used to board animals owned by other persons and operated pursuant to a business license issued by the Board of County Commissioners.

SECTION 5. Section 10 of Washoe County Ordinance No. 226 is hereby amended to read as follows:

SECTION 10. Special Permit Fee.

- A. A person owning or operating a kennel pursuant to a special permit need not license each dog contained therein but shall pay an annual permit fee of \$6 per dog to the Animal Control Officer. The fee shall be used to defray costs of inspection of the kennel by the Animal Control Officer and shall be paid each year not later than the date on which the initial fee was paid.
- B. A fee shall not be charged if the principal purpose in operating a kennel is to keep and maintain dogs which are being trained as guides for the visually handicapped.

SECTION 6. Section 13 of Washoe County Ordinance No. 226 is hereby amended to read as follows:

SECTION 13. Prohibits Animals from Being at Large and Provides for the Impounding of Animals Endangering or Causing Damage to Themselves, any Property, Public Safety or any other Animal.

- A. It is unlawful for any animal, except a domestic cat, to be at large within any congested area.
- B. It is unlawful for any animal to endanger property, public safety, itself or any other animal.
- C. A violation of Paragraph A or B is committed by the owner or person having custody, control or possession of the animal.
- D. Any person may take up and impound at the Animal Control Center:
 1. Any animal except a domestic cat which is found at large within a congested area;
 2. Any animal which is trespassing on that person's property; and
 3. Any animal which is endangering property, public safety, itself or any other animal.

SECTION 7. Section 14 of Washoe County Ordinance No. 226 is hereby amended to read as follows:

SECTION 14. Quarantine of Biting Animals.

- A. Whenever any animal bites a human within the County,

the owner of the animal shall immediately place it in quarantine in a holding facility which insures isolation from public contact. Alternatively, the Animal Control Officer may take up and impound the animal and place it in quarantine for a period of time recommended by the District Health Officer.

The animal to be quarantined shall be placed in confinement in a veterinary hospital, or other place of quarantine specified by the District Health Officer. All costs of quarantine shall be borne by the owner.

- B. Home quarantine may be authorized by the Animal Control Officer under the following conditions:
1. The owner must show a current rabies vaccination certificate and;
 2. The quarantine holding facilities must be approved by the Animal Control Officer.

Nursing female animals or animals under the treatment of a veterinarian may be considered for home quarantine on a case by case basis in the absence of a current rabies vaccination.

- C. The owner of any animal placed in quarantine shall present to the Animal Control Officer a written statement, executed by a veterinarian, indicating that the animal has been examined and found to be free of any signs or symptoms of rabies and has been inoculated against rabies.
- D. An animal may be destroyed in the process of capture when there is reason to believe that it has bitten a human being or has rabies. Animal destruction is authorized only when circumstances reasonably require such destruction to effect capture.

Proposed on the 11th day of May, 1982.

Proposed by Commissioner Farr

Passed on the 11th day of May, 1982.

Vote:

Ayes: Commissioners: Farr, Ferrari, Brown, Underwood & Williams

Nays: Commissioners: None

Absent: Commissioners: None



Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:



County Clerk

This ordinance shall be in force and effect from and after
the 26 day of May, 1982.