

CITY OF GILLESPIE

ORDINANCE NO. 92 - 3

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER V, ARTICLE II, SECTION 5
OF CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GILLESPIE, ILLINOIS
CONCERNING ANIMALS, DOGS AND CATS

ADOPTED BY THE
CITY COUNCIL
OF THE
CITY OF GILLESPIE
THIS 13TH DAY OF APRIL, 1992

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City of Gillespie, Macoupin County, Illinois, this 14th day of April, 1992.

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WHEREAS, Chapter V of the Municipal Code of the City of Gillespie, deals with animals and fowl and Article II thereof deals with licensing and control of dogs; and

WHEREAS, It is deemed in the best interest of the municipality that the said Article II be amended to more accurately reflect the problems presented by dogs and cats in the City of Gillespie;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GILLESPIE THAT SAID CHAPTER V, ARTICLE II, SECTION 5 BE AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS :

1. Article II shall be amended to read "Article II - DOGS AND CATS."
2. Article II, Section 5-21 shall be amended to read:

Section 5-21: LICENSE AND REGISTRATION REQUIRED. It shall be unlawful for any person within the City to own, keep or harbor any cat or dog over five (5) months of age without procuring a license for such cat or dog as provided in this code.

Section 5-21.1: LICENSING OF DOGS - FEES. Each owner of a dog more than five (5) months of age on January 1st of any year, or five (5) months of age within the license year, shall annually or within thirty (30) days from the date such dog becomes five (5) months of age, pay a dog license fee and obtain a license therefor. The license years shall commence on January 1st and end on the following December 31st.

Section 5-21.2: LICENSING OF CATS - FEES. Each owner of a cat more than five (5) months of age on January 1st of any year, or five (5) months of age within the license year shall annually or within thirty (30) days from the date such cat becomes five (5) months of age, obtain a license for each cat from the City Clerk. The license year shall commence on January 1st and end on the following December 31st.

3. **Section 5-22: LICENSE FEES.** Every owner of a cat or dog more than five (5) months of age (the word "owner" when used herein includes every person who owns, harbors or keeps a cat or dog), shall annually during the month of January, or within thirty (30) days after such a cat or dog becomes five (5) months of age, pay a cat or dog license fee and obtain a license therefor. the fee for such cat or dog license shall be two dollars (\$2.00) for each sexually altered or neutered cat or dog, and five dollars (\$5.00) for each sexually unaltered or unneutered cat or dog. One-half of these amounts shall be due if the cat or dog became five (5) months of age on or after April 1st of the license year. The license shall commence on January 1st and end on the following December 31st.

Section 5-22.1: An additional fee of \$2.00 per cat or dog license shall be paid by all persons purchasing dog or cat license after April 1st or more than three (3) months after such dog or cat becomes five (5) months of age. The applicant for a cat or dog license shall present a valid certificate of vaccination before the license is issued.

4. Section 5-26 of the municipal code shall be amended to read as follows :

Section 5-26 : REDEMPTION OF IMPOUNDED DOGS OR CATS; FEE, DESTRUCTION IF UNREDEEMED. Dogs or cats which are impounded in the City, shall be kept in the enclosure established as the municipal pound until redeemed or until otherwise disposed of as may be directed from time to time by the City Council or any animal control officer. Such animals shall be held for at least two (2) days for redemption. Any person seeking to redeem an impounded dog or cat shall pay a fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) for the first offense and twenty-five (\$25.00) for the second offense plus all license fees which may be due.

In addition to the impoundment and license fees referred to herein, the person redeeming said animal shall pay the City's reasonable costs incurred by reason of impoundment.

Section 5-26.1: No dog or cat shall be redeemed from impoundment without proof of licensing and rabies vaccination.

Section 5-26.2: After two (2) days of impoundment by the City, said animal may be sent to the Macoupin County Animal Impoundment or other proper facility. Thereafter, said County's regulations will apply. Anyone wishing to redeem said animal from said County will have to deal directly with the appropriate authorities and will not be relieved from any fines or administrative costs incurred by the City or provided for in this Ordinance.

5. There shall be added a new Section 5-29 "Bite Procedure" which shall read as follows :

Section 5-29: All incidents of bites by a dog or cat suffered by a human shall be reported to the animal control officer or his agent within twenty-four (24) hours. The animal control officer shall report all bite incidents to the Macoupin County Department of Animal Control on forms and in the time sequence required by that agency. Depending upon circumstances in each case, the following procedure shall apply :

- (a) Licensed dog or cat.

1. The owner or harbinger of a properly vaccinated biter dog or cat shall have the dog or cat examined by a licensed veterinarian who shall submit a report to the animal control officer within twenty-four (24) hours of the incident.
2. The biter dog or cat may be impounded upon the licensed premises by the owner or harbinger. Impoundment shall mean within a structure or secure enclosure or upon a leash upon the premises of the owner or harbinger. The period of impoundment shall be ten (10) days.

3. The owner or harbored of a properly vaccinated biter dog or cat shall have the dog or cat examined by a licensed veterinarian again on the tenth (10) day of impoundment. A written report by the veterinarian that the biter dog or cat is not affected by rabies, filled with the animal control officer, shall terminate the impoundment.

(b) Unvaccinated dog or cat.

1. The owner or harbored of a of a biter dog or cat which has not been vaccinated shall have it examined immediately by a licensed veterinarian who shall submit a report to the animal control officer within twenty-four (24) hours of the incident.

2. The owner or harbored will be impound the biter dog or cat in a licensed animal hospital for the required ten (10) day confinement period.

3. No dog or cat shall be released from impoundment until proof of vaccination and licensing is presented to the City.

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication by pamphlet form as provided by law.

PASSED and APPROVED THIS 13th DAY OF APRIL, 1992

APPROVED : (illegible signature) (Signed) *Note : Michael Mathis was Mayor on this date*
Mayor

ATTEST : Carla A. Butler (Signed)
City Clerk

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF MACOUPIN) ss

CERTIFICATE

I, Carla Butler, certify that I am the duly elected and acting municipal clerk of the City of Gillespie, Macoupin County, Illinois.

I further certify that on April 13, 1992, the Corporate Authorities of such municipality passed and approved Ordinance No. 92-3, including the Ordinance and a cover sheet thereof was prepared, and a copy of such Ordinance was posted in the municipal building, commencing on April 14, 1992, and continuing for at least ten days thereafter. Copies of such Ordinance were also available for public inspection upon request in the office of the municipal clerk.

DATED at Gillespie, Illinois this 14th day of April, 1992.

(SEAL)

Carla A. Butler (Signed)
City Clerk