ORDINANCE NUMBER 2020-3-1

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 92.02 OF THE CITY CODE
OF THE CITY OF STACY VACATING AND AMENDING §92.02 DOGS AND CATS

The City Council of the City of Stacy hereby ordains:

That Subsection 192.02 shall be vacated and amended and changed to read as follows:

(A) Running at large prohibited. It shall be unlawful for the dog or cat of any person who owns, harbors, or keeps a dog or cat, to run at large. A person, who owns, harbors, or keeps a dog or cat which runs at large shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. Dogs or cats on a leash and accompanied by a responsible person or accompanied by and under the control and direction of a responsible person, so as to be effectively restrained by command as by leash, shall be permitted in streets or on public land unless the city has posted an area with signs reading "Dogs or Cats Prohibited."

(B) License required.

(1) All dogs/cats over the age of 6 months kept, harbored, or maintained by their owners in the city, shall be licensed and registered with the city. Dog/cats shall be licensed within 30 days of acquiring possession. Dog/Cat licenses shall be issued by the City Clerk upon payment of the license fee as established by ordinance. The owner shall state, at the time application is made for the license and upon forms provided, his or her name and address and the name, breed, color, and sex of each dog/cat owned or kept by him or her. No license shall be granted for a dog/cat that has not been vaccinated against distemper and rabies, as evidenced by a certificate by a veterinarian qualified to practice in the state in which the dog/cat is vaccinated.

(2) It shall be the duty of each owner of a dog/cat subject to this section to pay to the City Clerk the license fee established by ordinance.

(3) Upon payment of the license fee as established by ordinance, the Clerk shall issue to the owner a license certificate and metallic tag for each dog/cat licensed. The tag shall have stamped on it the number corresponding with the number on the certificate. The license shall be valid for the same period as that of the vaccination; (however, in case of a dog one year or younger the vaccine administered is for a one-year period and then moved to 3 years the next vaccination period). Every owner shall be required to provide each dog/cat with a collar to which the license tag must be affixed, and shall see that the collar and tag are constantly worn. In case a dog/cat tag is lost or destroyed, a duplicate shall be issued by the City Clerk. A charge shall be made for each duplicate tag in an amount established by ordinance. Dog/cat tags shall not be transferable from one dog/cat to another and no refunds shall be made on any dog/cat license fee or tag because of death of a dog/cat or the owner's leaving the city before the expiration of the license period.

(4) The licensing provisions of this division (B) shall not apply to dogs/cats whose owners are nonresidents temporarily within the city, nor to dogs/cats brought
into the city for the purpose of participating in any dog/cat show.

(5) The funds received by the City Clerk from all dog/cat licenses and metallic tags fees as established by ordinance, shall first be used to defray any costs incidental to the enforcement of this chapter; including, but not restricted to, the costs of licenses, metallic tags, and impounding and maintenance of the dogs/cats.

(C) Cats. Cats shall be included as controlled by this division insofar as running-at-large, pickup, impounding, boarding, licensing, and proof of anti-rabies vaccine is concerned. All other provisions of this section shall also apply to cats unless otherwise provided.

(D) Vaccination.

(1) All dogs and cats kept harbored, maintained, or transported within the city shall be vaccinated at least once every 3 years by a licensed veterinarian for:

   (a) Rabies - with a live modified vaccine; and
   (b) Distemper.

(2) A certificate of vaccination must be kept on which is stated the date of vaccination, owner’s name and address, the animal’s name (if applicable), sex, description, and weight, the type of vaccine, and the veterinarian’s signature. Upon demand made by the City Clerk, the Animal Control Officer or a police officer, the owner shall present for examination the required certificate(s) of vaccination for the animal(s). In cases where certificates are not presented, the owner or keeper of the animal(s) shall have 7 days in which to present the certificate(s) to the City Clerk or officer. Failure to do so shall be deemed a violation of this section.

Passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Stacy, Minnesota this _____ day of ________, 2020.

This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the official newspaper of the City of Stacy.

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Mark Utecht
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Sharon MT Payne
City Clerk