

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF  
WALLIS, TEXAS, REGULATING ANIMALS  
WITHIN THE CITY OF WALLIS, TEXAS

WHEREAS, THE CITY COUNCIL OF WALLIS, TEXAS, finds that it is in the best interest of the Citizens of Wallis, Texas, that animals in the city be hereafter regulated in accordance with the following provisions.

BE IT THEREFOR ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WALLIS, TEXAS:

Section 1. Cruelty.) No person shall cruelly treat any animal in the city in any way; any person who inhumanely beats, underfeeds, overloads, or abandons any animal shall be deemed guilty of a violation of this section.

Section 2. Dangerous animals.) It shall be unlawful to permit any dangerous animal or vicious animal of any kind to run at large within the city; exhibitions or parades of animals which are ferae naturae in the eyes of the law may be conducted only upon securing a permit from the chief of police.

Section 3. Noises.) It shall be unlawful to harbor or keep any animals which disturb the peace by loud noises at any time of the day or night.

Section 4. Strays.) It shall be unlawful to permit any cattle, horse, swine, sheep, goats or poultry to run at large in the city; any such animal running at large in any public place in the city shall be impounded in the same manner provided in Ordinance # 20. It shall further be unlawful to picket or tie any such animal in any of the streets of the city for the purpose of grazing or feeding.

Section 5. Killing dangerous animals.) The officers of the police department are authorized to kill any dangerous animals of any kind when it is necessary for the protection of any person or property.

Section 6. Diseased animals.) No domestic animal afflicted with a contagious or infectious disease shall be allowed to run at large, or to be exposed in any public place whereby the health of man or beast may be affected; nor shall such diseased animal be shipped or removed from the premises of the owner thereof, except under the supervision of the chief of police or the animal health officer.

It is hereby made the duty of the animal health officer to secure such disposition of any diseased animal and such treatment of affected premises as to prevent the communication and spread of

the contagion or infection, except in cases where the state veterinarian is empowered to act.

Section 7. Housing.) No person shall cause or allow any stable or place where any animal is or may be kept to become unclean, or unwholesome, and it shall be unlawful to keep any live swine, pigs or goats in the city.

Section 8. Nuisance.) It shall be unlawful for any owner to fail to exercise proper care and control of his animals to prevent them from becoming a public nuisance. Excessive, continuous or untimely barking, molesting passersby, chasing vehicles, habitually attacking other domestic animals, trespassing upon school grounds, or trespassing upon private property, shall be deemed a nuisance.

It shall be unlawful for any owner to fail to provide animals with sufficient good and wholesome food and water, proper shelter and protection from the weather, veterinary care when needed to prevent suffering, and with humane care and treatment. It shall be unlawful for any owner to beat, cruelly ill-treat, torment, overload, overwork, or otherwise abuse any animal.

Section 9. Inclusion.) Only for the purposes of the ordinance and assessing of fines and enforcement hereof, any person who regularly maintains, cares for and feeds any animal covered herein shall be deemed to be the owner of such animal and shall be responsible therefore.

Section 10. Exclusions.) This act specifically exempts from its provisions minors participating in F.F.A. and School Club Animal Projects within the City of Wallis, Texas.

Section 11. Penalty.) Any person, firm or corporation violating any provision of this ordinance shall be fined not less than \$5 nor more than \$200 and a separate offense shall be deemed committed on each day during or on which a violation occurs or continues and/or as per each animal involved.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 10th day of June, 1980.

CITY OF WALLIS

ATTEST:

BY:


  
CHARLES DUSIK, Mayor

BY:

  
BETTY MAREK, City Clerk

APPROVED:

BY:

  
V. O. "BUTCH" CARDEN, JR.  
City Attorney