

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-04

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 6-38 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ST. GEORGE, KANSAS, PERTAINING TO PET LICENSES AND REGISTRATION.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF ST. GEORGE, KANSAS:

Section 1. That section 6-38 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of St. George is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 6-38. License and registration.

- (a) No person shall own, keep or harbor any dog/cat over four months of age within the city unless such dog/cat is vaccinated and licensed. The provisions of this section do not apply to animals owned by a licensed research facility or held in a veterinary medical facility or government operated or licensed animal shelter.
- (b) All dogs/cats shall be vaccinated against rabies by a licensed veterinarian.
- (c) A certificate of vaccination shall be issued to the owner of each animal vaccinated. Each owner shall also receive a durable vaccination tag indicating the year in which it was issued.
- (d) Application for a license must be made within 30 days after obtaining a dog or cat over four months of age, except that this requirement will not apply to a nonresident keeping a dog or cat within the city for no longer than 60 days. Written application for a dog or cat license shall be made to the city and shall include the name and address of the owner and the name, breed, color, age, and sex of the dog/cat. Applicants also shall pay the prescribed licensing fee and provide proof of current rabies vaccination.
- (e) The licensing period shall be for the length of the vaccination. License renewal may be applied for within 60 days prior to the expiration date. New residents must apply for a license within 30 days of establishing residence. The city clerk shall maintain a list of licensed dogs/cats and send a written reminder of the need to renew a license 30 days prior to it expiring.
- (f) A license shall be issued after payment of a fee established by the city. If the license is issued for more than one year the fee shall be equal to the number of years of licensure multiplied by the yearly fee. Persons who fail to obtain a license as required within the time period specified in this section will be subjected to a delinquent fee established by the city for every month the fee is late. In the event any person shall neglect, fail or refuse to pay the fee fixed herein or by any prior ordinance, such charges shall constitute a lien upon the real estate to which the dog/cat is licensed and may be

certified by the city clerk, to the county clerk to be placed on the tax rolls for collection, subject to the same unpaid amounts to the state set-off program. This remedy shall be in addition to remedies whereby the city attorney may seek to enforce this section in district court, and seek a judgment in district court against a person for all amounts mentioned in this section.

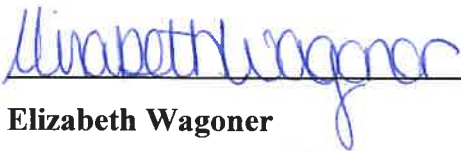
(g) License fees shall be waived for dogs serving the blind or deaf or government-owned dogs used for law enforcement. All other licensing provisions shall apply.

(h) Upon acceptance of the license application and fee, the city shall issue a durable license tag including an identifying number, year of issuance, city, county, and state. Both rabies and license tags must be attached to the collar of the dog/cat. Tags must be worn at all times and are not transferable. The city shall maintain a record of all licenses issued, and such records shall be available for inspection.

(i) Persons with a licensed dog/cat shall inform the city in writing within 30 days of a dog's/cat's death or permanent removal from the city. Persons failing to do so, will be required to pay for a one year license. License fees, once paid shall not be refunded.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the official city newspaper.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 11th DAY OF MARCH, 2021, BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF ST. GEORGE, KANSAS.



Elizabeth Wagoner

City Clerk



Tim Pralle

Mayor

