

ORDINANCE NO. 293

AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED

AN ORDINANCE TO REQUIRE RABIES VACCINATION FOR DOGS AND CATS AND OTHER PETS WITHIN THE CITY OF MARMADUKE, ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the responsibility of keeping and maintaining of dogs within the City of Marmaduke contains certain responsibilities, and

WHEREAS, there is a growing need for safety measure in place for owners of domesticated animals; and

WHEREAS, all owners of dogs and cats have a duty to ensure that their animals meet health codes within the State of Arkansas.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Marmaduke, Arkansas, as follows:

SECTION I: All dogs and cats, and other pets, which are subject to rabies shall be vaccinated according to State Law by an accredited veterinary. A metal tag evidencing such vaccination shall be attached to the harness or collar of every dog in the city. For cats, it shall be the duty of the owner to provide proof upon request.

SECTION II. Any person who shall keep any pet which is subject to rabies in the City without first having such pet vaccinated for rabies, at least once a year, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

SECTION III. No tag shall be transferrable from one animal to another.

SECTION IV. Any animals having rabies or symptoms thereof or suspected of having rabies, or which has been exposed to rabies, shall be confined, quarantined and observed pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. Section 20-19-301 through 312 and the Rules and

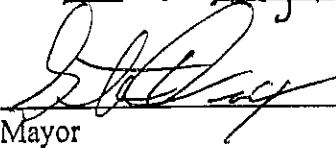
Regulations Pertaining to Rabies Control promulgated by the Arkansas State Board of Health.

SECTION V. Costs incurred by the City during the quarantine shall be reimbursed to the City of Marmaduke.

SECTION VI. A violation of this ordinance is hereby declared to be a misdemeanor and it shall be the duty of the Chief of Police to enforce these provisions thereof. Upon conviction, the offender shall be fined in a sum not less than Seventy-Five (\$75.00) Dollars. Subsequent violations within a five (5) year period shall increase each violation by One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00). The Court shall have the discretion to impose other conditions as he or she shall see fit to deter future conduct.

SECTION VII. If any provision of this Ordinance if found to be invalid, only the portion that shall be deemed invalid shall be stricken and the other portions shall remain in full force and affect.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 18th day of August, 2020.



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk