

ORDINANCE NO. 4713

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ALBANY MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 6.10, KEEPING OF ANIMALS.

THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF ALBANY DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: Albany Municipal Code Section 6.10.010, Area requirements and number permitted, is amended as follows:

6.10.010 Area requirements and number permitted. The keeping of animals listed in this chapter for more than 72 hours shall be subject to the following restrictions:

(1) For poultry, fowl (including domestic and game birds raised for meat, eggs, breeding, or other purposes) and rabbits, not more than two animals on any lot less than 7,000 square feet in area; for each additional animal there shall be an additional 3,000 square feet of lot area.

(2) For horses, cows, sheep, and goats, one-half acre of open yard area shall be provided for the first animal with one acre provided for each additional animal over the age of six months.

(3) Persons desiring to keep more animals than permitted by this section may do so with approval of the City Manager only when written approval is obtained from the owners of all improved property contiguous to the applicant(s) and which is within 200 feet of any fence, hutch, or pen containing the animals.

(4) Permission granted by the City Manager is revokable by the City Council.

Section 2: Albany Municipal Code Section 6.10.040, Public Nuisance -- designated, is amended to read as follows:

6.10.040 Public nuisance -- designated. Animals described within this chapter **and domestic cats** shall be considered a public nuisance in the following instances:

(1) The number of animals maintained on any premises is found to exceed the number allowed by this chapter.

(2) Any animal or group of animals which make loud or frequent noises disruptive of any person's comfort or repose.

(3) Any animal or group of animals which through accumulated waste or other reason cause offensive odors detectable from any right-of-way or adjoining property.

(4) Any animal, when unprovoked, bites, kicks, **scratches** or otherwise threatens the safety of any person.

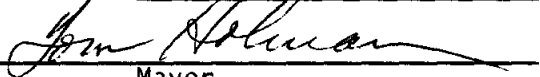
(5) Any animal which habitually escapes from confinement and trespasses on public or private property. Trespass of more than two occasions shall be considered habitual under the meaning of this section.

(6) Any animal which is found running at large as defined by Section 6.12.010 of this code.

Passed by Council: March 26, 1986

Approved by Mayor: March 27, 1986

Effective Date: April 25, 1986



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Recorder