

**ORDINANCE NO. 20 - 04**

**AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND RECREATING OR CREATING  
THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 6 ANIMALS -**

**6.01(C) DOG LICENSE, 6.03 ANIMAL ABUSE AND ABANDONMENT, 6.04 KEEPING OF  
POULTRY AND FOWL, 6.05 KEEPING EXOTIC AND FARM ANIMALS WITHIN THE CITY,  
6.10 NUMBER OF ANIMALS, 6.11 ANIMAL ESTABLISHMENT LICENSE, 6.13 KEEPING OF  
RABBITS, 6.30 APPEALS, 6.40 DEFINITIONS, 6.50 PENALTY AND ENFORCEMENT.**

The Common Council of the City of Platteville do ordain as follows:

**Section 1.** Section 6.01(c) is hereby repealed and recreated as follows:

- (c) Issuance of License. Upon payment of the fees above set forth and upon proof being presented to the City that the dog for whom the license is intended has a current rabies vaccination, the City shall issue to such persons a dog license which shall be for a period of one year or until the next succeeding December 31, whichever shall be less, and such persons shall also be given a tag indicating the payment for said license, which tag shall be affixed to the collar or harness of such dog.

**Section 2.** Section 6.03 is hereby created as follows:

**6.03 ANIMAL ABUSE AND ABANDONMENT**

- a) Abuse of animal. No person shall beat, cruelly ill-treat, torment, overload, overwork or otherwise abuse an animal.
- b) Fighting animals. No person shall cause, instigate or permit any dogfight, cockfight or other combat between animals or between animals and humans and no person may own, possess, keep or train any animal with the intent that the animal be engaged in fighting with other animals or humans.
- c) Abandonment. No owner or caretaker of an animal shall abandon such animal.
- d) Forfeiture Penalty. The penalty for violation of this chapter shall be a forfeiture as set forth on the forfeiture schedule adopted by Section 1.10 of this code, together with costs of prosecution, and any penalty assessment imposed by Wisconsin Statutes Section 951.18.

**Section 3.** Section 6.04 is hereby repealed and recreated as follows:

**6.04 KEEPING OF POULTRY AND FOWL.** Any person having, keeping or maintaining poultry and fowl within the corporate limits of the City shall be in compliance with this Chapter, and other applicable requirements of the municipal code. Any properties or persons that are not in compliance with the changes to this Section made in Ordinance 20-04, effective date of May 6, 2020, shall have one year to achieve compliance.

- a) No coop, pen or building used for the housing, keeping or maintaining of poultry and fowl shall be located within twenty-five (25) feet of any dwelling or residence within the City occupied by any person other than the owner, and at least five (5) feet from a lot line.

- b) A coop and any attached run/enclosure shall be located in the rear or side yard, and shall be enclosed with wire netting, fencing or equivalent material that will prevent poultry and fowl from leaving the property.
- c) No person shall have, keep or maintain, within the City, any poultry which are not provided with a run/enclosure of not less than ten (10) square feet for each bird which has reached the age of six (6) months. All coops shall be sized to provide a minimum of three (3) square feet per bird.
- d) The person owning or having charge of any poultry or poultry house shall keep the poultry and poultry house in a sanitary condition and in a condition which will not, through offensive odors annoy or detract from the comfort of any other person residing in the City.
- e) Poultry and fowl shall be provided with access to feed and clean water at all times.
- f) All waste including manure shall be disposed of in a safe and adequate manner that does not create a public nuisance. Composting of manure shall be done in a dedicated, enclosed container at least twenty-five (25) feet from any residential structure on adjacent lots, at least five (5) feet from any residential structure on the permitted lot, and at least five (5) feet from all lot lines.
- g) The slaughtering of any permitted poultry and fowl may be conducted on the property only if conducted in a humane and sanitary manner, outside of the view of any public area or adjacent property, in accordance with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations, and for personal use only.
- h) No person may keep or harbor any poultry or fowl, which habitually creates excessive noise which disturbs the peace and quiet of persons in the vicinity.
- i) Feed shall be stored and kept in containers which make the feed unavailable to rodents, vermin, wild birds and predators.
- j) Owners shall register with the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection pursuant to §95.51, Wis. Stats., and provide proof of registration with the Department, or proof that registration is not required, upon request by a City official.
- k) Sales of birds or bird products from the property shall be in compliance with the zoning requirements for that location.
- l) Upon written complaint by any City official or resident of the City that the owner has violated any of the provisions of this section, the Building Inspector and/or Police Department shall conduct an investigation. If the investigation determines that violations are occurring, the owner shall be notified in writing of the specific violations then existing. The City shall allow the owner a reasonable time to correct the violations. Penalties for violations of this section that are not corrected within a reasonable time shall be as specified in Section 6.50.

**Section 4.** Section 6.05 is hereby repealed and recreated as follows:

**6.05 KEEPING EXOTIC AND FARM ANIMALS WITHIN THE CITY.** The Common Council of the City of Platteville finds that exotic, wild and certain other animals are inherently dangerous and/or do not adjust well to a captive, urban environment and are hereby regulated to protect the public against health and safety risks, and to minimize negative impacts on the community. Any properties or persons that are not in compliance with the changes to this Section made in Ordinance 20-04, effective date of May 6, 2020, shall have one year to achieve compliance.

- a) No person shall keep or maintain any horses, cows, goats, sheep, alpacas, llamas, donkeys, ponies, or mules within the City of Platteville on a lot or property with an enclosure or pen that is less than one (1) acre in area for the first animal and an additional one-half (1/2) acre for each additional animal. The owner of the property where the animals are kept or maintained shall register with the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection pursuant to §95.51, Wis. Stats., and may be asked to provide proof of registration with the Department, or proof that registration is not required.
- b) No person shall keep or possess any snake or reptile in the city which is poisonous or in excess of six (6) feet in length.
- c) The keeping of swine in the city is not allowed.
  - 1. Exception. The keeping of a mini pig as a pet is allowed if the following conditions are met: No more than one pig per residential dwelling unit is permitted; No pig shall exceed a height of 22 inches at the shoulder or exceed a weight of one hundred fifty (150) pounds; Pigs shall not be allowed to leave the property unless on a leash; All waste including manure shall be disposed of in a safe and adequate manner that does not create a public nuisance; Pigs which habitually create excessive noise which disturbs the peace and quiet of persons in the vicinity shall not be allowed.
- d) No person shall keep, maintain or have within the city any wild or exotic animals, which shall include the following:
  - 1. non-human primates (chimpanzee, monkey, baboon, orangutan, lemur);
  - 2. felids (tiger, leopard, panther, jaguar, lion, bobcat, lynx) except domesticated cats;
  - 3. canids (wolf, wolf-dog hybrids, coyote, fox) except domesticated dogs;
  - 4. prairie dogs;
  - 5. elephants;
  - 6. crocodylians (alligator, crocodile);
  - 7. marsupials (kangaroo, opossum);
  - 8. ungulates (hippopotamus, rhinoceros);
  - 9. hyenas;
  - 10. mustelids (skunk, otter, badger) except ferrets;
  - 11. procyonids (raccoon, coati);
  - 12. dasypodidae (anteater, sloth, armadillo);
  - 13. viverrids (mongoose, civet, genet);
  - 14. bears;
  - 15. ostriches;
  - 16. emus.

- i. Exceptions. The following persons or entities may possess exotic or wild animals: A person licensed by the state under Chapter 169 Wis. Stats.; a veterinarian for the purpose of providing medical treatment to exotic or wild animals; a public zoo or aquarium; an itinerant or transient circus as defined under Chapter 169 Wis. Stats.; a person authorized by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

**Section 5.** Section 6.10 is hereby created as follows:

- 6.10 NUMBER OF ANIMALS.** Except for licensed business kennels, no more than eight (8) dogs or cats or a combination of each over the age of five (5) months shall be kept on any one premises. All animals kept on the property shall be owned by the resident of the property. Exception: The property may also have up to three (3) dogs or cats not owned by the property owner on an occasional, temporary basis, which shall not exceed seven (7) consecutive days and not more than four (4) occasions per year, however the maximum number of dogs or cats or a combination of each shall not exceed eight (8) at any time. Any properties or persons that are not in compliance with the changes to this Section made in Ordinance 20-04, effective date of May 6, 2020, shall have one year to achieve compliance.

**Section 6.** Section 6.11 is hereby repealed and recreated as follows:

- 6.11 ANIMAL ESTABLISHMENT LICENSE.** The owner of any property on which is kept, maintained or operated a private kennel, business kennel, or animal grooming business, must obtain a license, and may be required to obtain a Conditional Use Permit following the provisions of Chapter 23.13. No more than one (1) kennel license is allowed per property. Any existing kennels that have a valid license on the date of adoption of this Section that are not in compliance with the kennel regulations shall be allowed to continue operations for the duration of the license and may obtain a license for one (1) additional year. If the kennel is still not in compliance with this Section after that time period, the licensee may request additional one (1) year licenses from the Council upon showing of cause.
- (a) **PRIVATE KENNELS.** Persons keeping, harboring, or maintaining more than four (4) dogs over the age of five (5) months in one location shall, in addition to the individual license for each dog required by this chapter or state statutes, obtain an annual kennel license.
1. Any property having more than four (4) dogs shall have an area of at least fifteen thousand (15,000) square feet, and the property shall have a minimum of three thousand (3,000) square feet for each additional dog.
  2. An annual private kennel license application shall be filed with the City Clerk and shall include the kennel owner's name, the kennel operator's name if different than the owner, the kennel address, the kennel capacity, a brief description of the kennel facility, the owner's signature and date. The fee for a kennel license shall be established by the Common Council and amended from time to time via resolution. The license shall be for one year and shall expire on December 31 of each year.

3. Before issuance of a license, the application shall be reported to the County Health Officer, Building Inspector and a licensed veterinarian selected by the City, who shall conduct an inspection of the proposed kennel premises. They shall report any health problems or violations to the license applicant and City Manager. Any problems noted during said inspections shall be corrected prior to annual license approval or renewal.
4. Properties with a kennel shall include space for the dogs within a dwelling or an enclosed shelter, and shall include an exterior run/enclosure.
  - a) A shelter that is separate from a dwelling shall be at least three (3) feet in height and shall contain at least eight (8) square feet for each dog. The shelter shall include a window, skylight or other opening for daylight and shall be adequately vented.
  - b) Each run/enclosure shall be surrounded by fencing of sufficient height to contain the dogs kept therein and shall contain at least thirty (30) square feet for one (1) dog, and ten (10) square feet for each additional dog. If any portion of the enclosure is covered by a roof or overhead screen, the roof or screen shall be at least three (3) feet in height.
5. Kennel shelters and enclosures for the dogs shall be located a minimum of fifty (50) feet from any other habitable residential or commercial structure and at least ten (10) feet from all lot lines.
6. All dogs shall be maintained in a healthy condition or, if ill, shall be given appropriate treatment immediately.
7. The quarters in which dogs are kept shall be maintained in a clean condition and in a good state of repair. Litter or bedding material shall be changed, and the floors and walls shall be cleaned and disinfected, as often as necessary to prevent an odor nuisance. Feces shall be removed from yards, pens and enclosures daily and stored in tightly covered containers until final disposal. No odor nuisance shall be permitted.
8. Food supplies shall be stored in rodent proof containers, and food and water containers shall be kept clean. All dogs shall have potable water available at all times.
9. Yards, pens, premises and dogs shall be kept free of insect and rodent infestations.

10. The floor and walls of any room or shelter in which dogs are kept shall be covered with impervious, cleanable surfaces.
  11. Upon written complaint by any City official or resident of the City that the licensee has violated any of the provisions of this section, the Building Inspector and/or Police Department shall conduct an investigation. If the investigation determines that violations are occurring, the licensee shall be notified in writing of the specific violations then existing. The City shall allow the licensee a reasonable time to correct the violations. Penalties for a violation of this section shall be as specified in Section 6.50.
- (b) **BUSINESS KENNELS.** Any property or establishment on which more than four (4) dogs, cats or other animals are housed, bred, boarded, trained, or sold, all for a fee or compensation is required to obtain an annual business kennel license.
1. An annual business kennel license application shall be filed with the City Clerk and shall include the kennel owner's name, the kennel operator's name if different than the owner, the kennel address, the kennel capacity, a brief description of the kennel facility, the owner's signature and date. The fee for a kennel license shall be established by the Common Council and amended from time to time via resolution. The license shall be for one year and shall expire on December 31 of each year.
  2. Before issuance of a license, the application shall be reported to the County Health Officer, Building Inspector and a licensed veterinarian selected by the City, who shall conduct an inspection of the proposed kennel premises. They shall report any health problems or violations to the license applicant and City Manager. Any problems noted during said inspections shall be corrected prior to annual license approval or renewal.
  3. Shelters and enclosures for the animals shall be located a minimum of fifty (50) feet from any other habitable residential or commercial structure and at least ten (10) feet from all lot lines.
  4. Properties with a kennel shall include space for an animal within a dwelling, habitable structure or an enclosed insulated shelter, and shall have an exterior run/enclosure.
    - a. The shelter shall be at least three (3) feet in height and shall contain at least eight (8) square feet for each animal. The shelter shall include a window, skylight or other opening for daylight and shall be adequately vented.
    - b. Each enclosure outside of a building shall be surrounded by fencing of sufficient height to contain the animals kept therein and shall contain at least thirty (30) square feet for one animal and ten (10) square feet for each additional animal. If any portion of the enclosure is covered by a roof or overhead screen, the roof or screen shall be at least three (3) feet in height.

5. Kennels shall be located on a property that is adequate in size for the number of animals kept within. The property shall have a minimum area of fifteen thousand (15,000) square feet and shall have a minimum of three thousand (3,000) square feet per animal.
6. All animals shall be maintained in a healthy condition or, if ill, shall be given appropriate treatment immediately.
7. The quarters in which animals are kept shall be maintained in a clean condition and in a good state of repair. Litter or bedding material shall be changed, and the floors and walls shall be cleaned and disinfected, as often as necessary to prevent an odor nuisance. Feces shall be removed from yards, pens and enclosures daily and stored in tightly covered containers until final disposal. No odor nuisance shall be permitted.
8. Food supplies shall be stored in rodent proof containers, and food and water containers shall be kept clean. All animals shall have potable water available at all times.
9. Yards, pens, premises and animals shall be kept free of insect and rodent infestations.
10. The floor and walls of any room in which animals are kept shall be covered with impervious, cleanable surfaces.
11. No dog or cat shall be accepted for boarding unless it has been vaccinated for rabies, and proof of such vaccination has been furnished to the kennel operation; provided, however, that this requirement shall not be necessary if the dog or cat is under five (5) months of age.
12. Building and shelter temperature shall be maintained at a comfortable level for the animals kept therein. Adequate ventilation shall be maintained to promote health and odor control. Kennels housing small breed dogs must house those dogs in indoor facilities minimally heated to fifty degrees Fahrenheit (50°F).

Any questions concerning definition of breeds that are considered "small breed" in this procedure will be defined by the humane officer.

13. Upon written complaint by any City official or resident of the City that the licensee has violated any of the provisions of this section, the Building Inspector and/or Police Department shall conduct an investigation. If the investigation determines that violations are occurring, the licensee shall be notified in writing of the specific violations then existing. The City shall allow the licensee a reasonable time to correct the violations. Penalties for a violation of this section shall be as specified in Section 6.50.
- (c) **ANIMAL GROOMING BUSINESS.** Any property or establishment on which dogs, cats, or domesticated animals are groomed, bathed, brushed and/or clipped for a fee or compensation is required to obtain an annual animal grooming license.
1. An annual grooming license application shall be filed with the City Clerk and shall include the owner's name, the operator's name if different than the owner, the address, a brief description of the facility, the owner's signature and date. The fee for a grooming license shall be established by the Common Council and amended from time to time via resolution. The license shall be for one year and shall expire on December 31 of each year.
  2. Before issuance of a license, the application shall be reported to the County Health Officer, Building Inspector and a licensed veterinarian selected by the City, who shall conduct an inspection of the proposed grooming business premises. They shall report any health problems or violations to the license applicant and City Manager. Any problems noted during said inspections shall be corrected prior to annual license approval or renewal.
  3. Shelters or animal enclosures shall be located a minimum of fifty (50) feet from any other residential or commercial structure and at least ten (10) feet from all lot lines. Each enclosure shall be surrounded by fencing of sufficient height to contain the animals kept therein.
  4. No more than ten (10) animals over the age of five (5) months shall be kept on the premises at a time.
  5. The floor and walls in any room in which grooming operations are conducted or in which animals are kept shall be covered with an impervious, , cleanable surface. Wood which animals can bite, chew, claw or any way have contact with is not considered impervious. Unsealed wood or rusted metal is not considered impervious. The floor shall be cleaned and disinfected daily.



6. All animal hair and feces shall be removed from the floors daily and shall be stored in tightly covered, waterproof containers in such a manner as to prevent a nuisance until final disposal.
7. No dogs or other animals shall be kept in any grooming shop between ten o'clock (10:00) P.M. and seven o'clock (7:00) A.M., provided this subsection shall not apply to an establishment where grooming is incidental to the operation of a veterinary clinic or licensed business kennel.
8. The premises shall be kept free from insect and rodent infestations.
9. The premises shall be maintained and operated in a nuisance free manner.
10. All animal pens or enclosures shall be sufficiently large to permit freedom of movement to the animals confined therein.
11. Any pens, enclosures, cages or surfaces upon which an animal is groomed, as well as grooming supplies, shall be sanitized between groomings.
12. Upon written complaint by any City official or resident of the City that the licensee has violated any of the provisions of this section, the Building Inspector and/or Police Department shall conduct an investigation. If the investigation determines that violations are occurring, the licensee shall be notified in writing of the specific violations then existing. The City shall allow the licensee a reasonable time to correct the violations. Penalties for a violation of this section shall be as specified in Section 6.50.

**Section 7.** Section 6.13 is hereby created as follows:

**6.13 KEEPING OF RABBITS.** Any person having, keeping or maintaining rabbits within the corporate limits of the city shall be in compliance with this Chapter, and other applicable requirements of the municipal code. Any properties or persons that are not in compliance with the changes to this Section made in Ordinance 20-04, effective date of May 6, 2020, shall have one year to achieve compliance.

- a) No cage, hutch or building used for the housing, keeping or maintaining of rabbits shall be located within twenty-five (25) feet of any dwelling or residence within the City occupied by any person other than the applicant, and at least five (5) feet from a lot line.
- b) A cage and any attached run/enclosure shall be located in the rear or side yard and shall be enclosed with wire netting or equivalent material that will prevent the rabbits from leaving the property.
- c) All cages, hutches and structures shall be sized to provide a minimum of five (5) square feet per animal.
- d) The person owning or having charge of any rabbits shall keep the property in a sanitary condition and in a condition which will not, through offensive odors annoy or detract from the comfort of persons residing in the City. All waste including manure shall be disposed of in a safe and adequate manner that does not create a public nuisance.
- e) Rabbits shall be provided with access to feed and clean water at all times. Rabbit feed shall be stored and kept in containers which make the feed unavailable to rodents, vermin, wild birds and predators.
- f) Sales of rabbits or rabbit products from the property shall be in compliance with the zoning requirements for that location.
- g) Upon written complaint by any City official or resident of the City that the owner has violated any of the provisions of this section, the Building Inspector and/or Police Department shall conduct an investigation. If the investigation determines that violations are occurring, the owner shall be notified in writing of the specific violations then existing. The City shall allow the owner a reasonable time to correct the violations. Penalties for a violation of this section that are not corrected after a reasonable period of time shall be as specified in Section 6.50.

**Section 8.** Section 6.30 is hereby repealed and recreated as follows:

**6.30 APPEALS.** The Board of Appeals, established to hear appeals under Chapters 22, 23 and 25 of the Municipal Code, shall also function as the Board of Appeals in matters related to this chapter, and shall entertain appeals in the manner prescribed in Chapter 22. The Board of Appeals shall have the following powers:

- a) To hear and decide appeals where it is alleged there is an error in any order, requirement, decision or determination made by the Building Inspector.
- b) To hear and decide special exceptions to the terms of this chapter upon which the Board of Appeals is required to pass.
- c) To authorize, upon appeal in specific cases, such variance from the terms of this chapter as will not be contrary to the public interest where owing to special conditions, a literal enforcement will result in practical difficulty or unnecessary hardship, so that the spirit of these regulations shall be observed, public safety and welfare secured, and substantial justice done.

- d) To reverse or affirm wholly or in part or to modify any order, requirement, decision or determination appealed from and to make such order, requirements, decision or determination as in its opinion ought to be made in the premises and to that end shall have all the powers of the Building Inspector. The concurring vote of four (4) members of the Board of Appeals shall be necessary to reverse any order, requirement, decision or determination appealed from or to decide in favor of the applicant on any matter on which it is required to pass or to effect any variation in the requirements of this chapter.
- e) To call on any other City department for assistance in the performance of its duties, and it shall be the duty of such other departments to render such assistance as may be reasonable required.

**Section 9.** Section 6.40 is hereby repealed and recreated as follows:

**6.40 DEFINITIONS**

**ANIMAL** – Any live, vertebrate creature, domestic or wild, including mammals, reptiles and birds.

**ANIMAL GROOMING BUSINESS** - Any property or establishment on which dogs, cats, or domesticated animals are groomed, bathed, brushed and/or clipped for a fee or compensation.

**ANIMAL SHELTER** – Means a facility operated by a humane society, or municipal agency or its authorized agents, for impounding or caring for animals held under the authority of this chapter or state law or both.

**AT LARGE** - Means an animal that is off the premises of the owner and not under the restraint of the owner or another person.

**ATTACK** – Means to confront in an aggressive and hostile manner such that a reasonable person would believe that there is an imminent threat of bite or injury to the person or animal so confronted.

**BODILY HARM** - Bodily injury including, but not limited to, a laceration requiring stitches, any fracture of a bone, a concussion, a loss or fracture of a tooth or any temporary loss of consciousness, sight or hearing.

**CAGE** – An enclosure with bars, grating, or mesh for confining birds or animals.

**CARETAKER** - Any person who, in the absence of the owner, temporarily harbors, shelters, keeps or is in charge of a dog, cat or any other domesticated bird or animal.

**CAT** - A domesticated feline, regardless of age or sex.

**CHICKEN** – Means a domestic chicken of the subspecies *Gallus gallus domesticus*.

**CITY** - The City of Platteville, or the official, agent, or employee of the city designated by the City Manager.

COMMERCIAL STRUCTURE – A habitable structure that is used for the manufacture or sale of goods or services, and the protection of occupants for non-residential purposes.

COOP - An enclosed structure, building or pen within which poultry roost or are housed.

CRUEL - Causing unnecessary and excessive pain or suffering or unjustifiable injury or death.

DANGEROUS ANIMAL - Any of the following:

- (1) Any animal which, when unprovoked, inflicts bodily harm on a person, domestic pet or animal on public or private property.
- (2) Any animal which repeatedly chases or approaches persons in a menacing fashion or apparent attitude of attack, without provocation, upon the streets, sidewalks or any public grounds or on private property of another without the permission of the owner or person in lawful control of the property.
- (3) Any animal with a known propensity, tendency or disposition to attack, to cause injury to, or otherwise threaten the safety of humans or other domestic pets or animals.

DOG – A domestic canine, regardless of age or sex.

DOMESTIC ANIMAL - Any animal which normally can be considered tame and converted to home life.

DWELLING – A building designed or used as a residence or sleeping place.

ENCLOSURE – An enclosed space where dogs in a kennel or other animals spend the majority of time.

FARM ANIMAL - Any warm-blooded animal normally raised on farms in the United States and used for food or fiber.

FOWL – A bird kept and raised for its eggs, flesh and feathers.

HARBOR – To provide with care and shelter.

KENNEL, BUSINESS – An establishment in which more than four (4) dogs, cats or other animals are housed, bred, boarded, trained, or sold, all for a fee or compensation. Business kennels shall not include veterinary clinics or animal hospitals.

KENNEL, PRIVATE – The keeping, breeding, raising, showing, or training of more than four (4) but less than nine (9) dogs over five (5) months of age, which are owned by the property owner or occupant and are kept for the personal enjoyment of the owner or occupant of the property.

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER - That meaning as appears in Sec. 967.02(5), Wis. Stats., and includes a humane officer under Sec. 58.07, Wis. Stats., but does not include a conservation warden appointed under Sec. 23.10, Wis. Stats.

**LEASH** - A cord, thong or chain by which a dog or cat is controlled by the person accompanying it.

**NEUTERED** - A dog or cat having nonfunctional reproductive organs.

**OWNER** - Any individual that has the right of property in an animal or who keeps, harbors, cares for, acts as its custodian or who knowingly permits an animal to remain on or about his premises/property for 10 or more consecutive days.

**PEN** – An enclosure for animals.

**PET** - An animal kept and treated as a pet, which is typically kept for pleasure rather than utility.

**PET SHOP** – Any business where animals, birds, amphibians and/or reptiles are kept or displayed for sale or free distribution.

**POISONOUS** - Having the ability to cause serious harm or death by the transfer of venom or poison to a person or animal.

**POULTRY** - A gallinaceous bird or hen of any age, including chicks, raised for meat, eggs, or feathers. This includes chickens, turkey, quail, pheasants, geese and ducks.

**PROVOKED** - Means an animal that is: a) teased, tormented, abused, or assaulted by a person or another animal; b) acting in defense of persons or property; or c) under the control of a law enforcement officer, and acting in performance of its duties.

**RABBIT** – A furry, long-eared, burrowing mammal of the family Leporidae.

**REAR YARD** – A yard extending across the full width of the lot (except on a corner lot, the width of the rear yard does not extend into the street yard), the depth of which shall be the minimum horizontal distance between the rear lot line and a line parallel thereto through the nearest point of the principal structure. This yard shall be opposite the street yard, or the front street yard on a corner lot.

**RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE / RESIDENCE** – A habitable structure in which someone lives and/or uses as a dwelling.

**ROOSTER** – Means a male chicken of any age, including a capon or otherwise neutered male chicken.

**RUN** - The fenced or enclosed outdoor space provided for poultry or other animal.

**SIDE YARD** - A yard extending from the street yard to the rear yard of the lot, the width of which shall be the minimum horizontal distance between the interior side lot line and a line parallel thereto through the nearest point of the principal structure.

**STRAY** – A domestic animal found wandering at large or without an owner.

UNLICENSED DOG - A dog not licensed pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 174, Wisconsin Statutes.

**Section 10.** Section 6.50 is hereby repealed and recreated as follows:

**6.50 PENALTY AND ENFORCEMENT.** (a) Forfeiture Penalty. The penalty for violation of any provisions of this chapter shall be a forfeiture as hereinafter provided, together with the costs of prosecution and any penalty assessment imposed by Wisconsin Statutes.

(b) Forfeiture Schedule. The penalty for violation of any provision of this chapter shall be as set forth on the forfeiture schedule adopted by Section 1.10 of this code.

**Section 11.** All other provisions of Chapter 6 shall be renumbered as needed but shall remain in full force and effect unless specifically modified herein.

**Section 12.** This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication as required by law.

Approved and adopted by the Common Council of the City of Platteville, on a vote of 7 to 0 this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April 2020.

CITY OF PLATTEVILLE,

  
Barbara Daus, Council President

Attest:

  
Candace Klaas, City Clerk

Date Published: 05-13-2020