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ORDINANCE NO. 750

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 101 OF ARTICLE 1 OF CHAPTER 2 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF WASHINGTON, KANSAS, 1985, RELATING TO THE KEEPING OF ANIMALS IN THE CITY;

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WASHINGTON, KANSAS:

Section 1. That Section 2-101 is hereby repealed and replaced with the following text:

2-101. KEEPING ANIMALS IN CITY. It shall be unlawful to keep, harbor, own, or in any way possess within the corporate limits of the City of Washington, Kansas:

- (1) Any warm-blooded, carnivorous or omnivorous, wild or exotic animal (including but not limited to non-human primates, raccoons, skunks, foxes and wild and exotic cats; but excluding fowl, ferrets, and small rodents of varieties used for laboratory purposes).
- (2) Any animal having poisonous bites.

PROVIDED, that such animals may be transported through the City, or kept temporarily within the City while such animal is a part of a circus, rodeo, performing act or show, or while such animal is held in a holding pen prior to slaughter by a commercial house or meat processing business, or held in a holding pen of a veterinary clinic. Provided, further, that such animals may be kept and maintained at all times upon and at the premises and grounds during the Washington County Fair, and that such animals may be kept at any commercial livestock sales pavilion; so long as such animals are not kept or held for more than twenty-four (24) hours prior to and twenty-four (24) hours after the date that the commercial sale is conducted, and only animals being sold at said commercial sale shall be kept or held.

- (3) Any person, firm or corporation violating any provision of this article, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined in a sum not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00), and each day of violation shall be and constitute a separate offense.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take affect and shall be in full force and effect after its publication in the *Washington County News*, the official city newspaper.

Passed by the Governing Body of the City of Washington, Kansas, and approved by the Mayor this 6th day of September, 2011.

Gene Martin, Council President

ATTEST:

Denise M. Powell, City Clerk