

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORSICANA, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ENTITLED ANIMAL CONTROL, ARTICLE 2.600, RUNNING AT LARGE, SECTION 2.602, SPAY/NEUTER REQUIREMENTS AND EXCEPTOINS OF THE CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Corsicana, Texas, that Chapter 2, entitled *Animal Control*, Article 2.600, *Running at Large*, Section 2.602, *Spay/Neuter Requirements and Exceptions* of the City Code of Ordinances be amended and hereafter read as follows:

**CHAPTER 2: ANIMAL CONTROL
ARTICLE 2.600 RUNNING AT LARGE**

Section 2.602 Spay/Neuter Requirements and Exceptions

- A. All owners of dogs or cats upon the second impound for the offense “Running at Large” within the corporate city limits, shall be required to have the dog/cat spayed/neutered within 30 days of redemption. The cost to spay/neuter the animal shall be paid by the owner.
- B. The following animals will not be spayed/neutered as directed under Subsection (A):
 - 1. The animal is under four months of age;
 - 2. A licensed veterinarian certifies that the dog or cat should not be spayed/neutered for health reasons or is permanently non-fertile;
 - 3. The animal is a trained animal used by or under the authority of a governmental agency in police or rescue work;
- C. Animals transferred to another animal shelter or a nonprofit or 501(c)3 organization that provides a written agreement to the City that the animal will be sterilized before being placed into a new home located within the corporate limits of the City; or
- D. Dogs or cats, picked up for the first time, belonging to a breeder that has:
 - 1. The animal’s microchip number;
 - 2. A copy of the animal’s health statement; and
 - 3. Paid the fee for first offense and all other fees associated with the impoundment of the animal.

4. Should the animal be impounded or a citation issued for the same offense “Running at Large” a second time, then the owner will be required to have the animal spayed/neutered within 30 days of redemption. The cost to spay/neuter the animal shall be paid by the owner.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this **11th** day of **June, 2018**.

Don Denbow, Mayor

ATTEST:

Freddy Thomas, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Kerri Anderson Donica, City Attorney