



Leonard Rodenbur, Mayor

ORDINANCE 2025-04

AN ORDINANCE ADDING TO THE CITY OF INGALLS KANSAS IN CHAPTER II. ANIMAL CONTROL AND REGULATION; ARTICL 2: DOGS; SECTION 2-211.

Be it ordained by the governing body of the City of Ingalls Kansas:

Section 2-211: SUMMARY: The anti-cruelty ordinance define cruelty to animals as knowingly killing, injuring, maiming, torturing, burning, or mutilating any animal. Also included as cruelty are abandoning any animal, failing to provide food, horse-tripping, and poisoning any domestic animal, unlawful disposition of animals, dog, and cockfighting. People charged with and found to violate the ordinance shall pay fines/fees to the City of Ingalls and forfeit their animals to the Ingalls animal shelter. Exceptions are made for such things as veterinary practices, research experiments, rodeo and farming practices, euthanasia, and pest control. It is also illegal to allow a dangerous animal to run at large or to engage in sodomy with an animal.

(a) Cruelty to animals is:

- (1) Knowingly and maliciously killing, injuring, maiming, torturing, burning, or mutilating any animal.
- (2) knowingly abandoning any animal in any place without making provisions for its proper care.
- (3) having physical custody of any animal and knowingly failing to provide such food, potable water, protection from the elements, opportunity for exercise and other care as is needed for the health or well-being of such kind of animal.
- (4) intentionally using a wire, pole, stick, rope, or any other object to cause an equine to lose its balance or fall, for the purpose of sport or entertainment.
- (5) knowingly but not maliciously killing or injuring any animal; or
- (6) knowingly and maliciously administering any poison to any domestic animal.

(b) Penalty:

(1) If a person is discovered by or turned into the Animal Control Officer and upon inspection by officer discovers just cause to warrant the issuing of notification of violation of ordinance this person shall have 7 days from the time the notification if sent out by certified mail to either call the city clerk to request a meeting with the Animal Control Officer & Public Ordinance Officer to discuss about the violations/accusations and come up with a plan of action to deal with the possible violations.

a. The Animal control officer will implement the plan of action which will last for two weeks. If there is improvement or lack of cause of violation the issue will be set aside with the officer doing interval inspections. If there is cause of warrant. The owner will be given written notification through certified mail of a hearing with magistrate judge and imposition of fines/fees.

(2) The fines for the first time notification will be \$150.00. If nonpayment within the 7 days of notification the issue will go to the court where the City will impose court costs upon the individual and request court to have the animals removed

(3) Upon the 2nd charge of the same person the animals will be removed immediately from the ~~home~~ and the charges will be increased to \$250.00.

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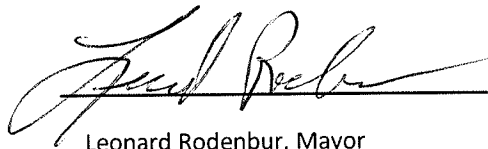
(c) Removal:

- (1) Upon the initial complaint and investigation by the Animal Control Office it will be determined if the animals are to be removed while the matter is dealt with on payment of fines/court.
- (2) After the first notification is done the Animal Control Officer will conduct several inspections of the property to check on the health and safety of the animals and see that no further signs of cruelty behavior have been found.
- (3) Upon a person being charged and found guilty for a second time, the animals will be permanently removed from the premises and taken to the city animal shelter where they will begin the process of rehab and new adoption process.

(d) Exception:

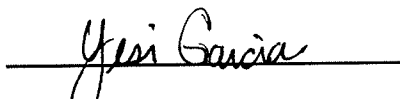
- (1) the humane killing of an animal that is diseased or disabled beyond recovery for any useful purpose, or the humane killing of animals for population control, by the owner thereof or the agent of such owner residing outside of a city or the owner thereof within a city if no animal shelter or licensed veterinarian is within the city, or by a licensed veterinarian at the request of the owner thereof, or by any officer or agent of an animal shelter, a local or state health officer or a licensed veterinarian three business days following the receipt of any such animal at such shelter;
- (2) With respect to farm animals, normal or accepted practices of animal husbandry, including the normal and accepted practices for the slaughter of such animals for food or by-products and the careful or thrifty management of one's herd or animals, including animal care practices common in the industry or region.
- (3) the killing of any animal by any person at any time that may be found outside of the owned or rented property of the owner or custodian of such animal and that is found injuring or posing a threat to any person, farm animal or property.
- (4) An animal control officer trained by a licensed veterinarian in the use of a tranquilizer gun, using such gun with the appropriate dosage for the size of the animal, when such animal is vicious or could not be captured after reasonable attempts using other methods.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing body and signed by the mayor this August 11th day of 2025 .
2025.



Leonard Rodenbur, Mayor

ATTEST:



Yesi Garcia City Clerk