

ORDINANCE NO. 14,420

AN ORDINANCE to amend the Municipal Code of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, 2000, adopted by Ordinance No. 13,827, passed June 5, 2000, by amending Section 18-136 thereof, relating to the total number of cats and dogs allowed per property.

Be It Ordained by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa:

Section 1. That the Municipal Code of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, 2000, adopted by Ordinance No. 13,827, passed June 5, 2000, is hereby amended by amending Section 18-136 relating to the total number of cats and dogs allowed per property, as follows:

ARTICLE IV. PET ANIMALS

Sec. 18-136. Types permitted.

The following animals may be owned per property as pets under the following conditions:

- (a) A total of 6 cats and dogs, not more than 3 of which may be dogs, and which are owned and maintained in compliance with the sections of this chapter relating to such animals.
- (b) Rabbits not to exceed three in number, maintained in a hutch or other type of enclosure.
- (c) Domestic poultry and fowl, that is poultry and fowl ordinarily raised for production of eggs or meat, not to exceed two in number considered together, maintained at all times in a pen and/or coop.
- (d) Vietnamese potbellied pigs, Asian potbellied pigs or potbellied pigs not to exceed three in number of the types considered together.
- (e) Pygmy goats, not to exceed three in number.
- (f) The young produced by any pets permitted herein may be

maintained with the parent animals for a period of approximately eight weeks but in no case longer than ten weeks.

(g) A waiver of the three dog limit set in subsection (a) of this section may be granted by the City Clerk, or his/her designee, to allow for one additional dog under the following conditions:

- (1) The dog's full grown weight is no more than 20 pounds as certified to by a veterinarian,
- (2) The owner provides a current rabies vaccination certificate for the dog,
- (3) The owner provides proof the dog has been spayed or neutered, and
- (4) No more than 2 cats are owned on the property subject to the waiver.

Sec. 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication as provided by law.

FORM APPROVED:

Douglas P. Philip, Assistant City Attorney

T. M. Franklin Cownie, Mayor

Attest:

I, Diane Rauh, City Clerk of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true copy of an ordinance (Roll Call No. 05-579), passed by the City Council of said City at a meeting held March 7, 2005 signed by the Mayor on March 7, 2005 and published as provided by law in the Business Record on March 14, 2005. Authorized by Publication Order No. 4573.

Diane Rauh, City Clerk

