

# Ordinance No. 1136

**AN ORDINANCE to amend Article III, Chapter 4 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1953, as amended, by the addition of a new section thereto numbered Section 4-10.2, and to amend and reordain Subsection (c), Section 4-11 and Section 4-20 of said Article III and Chapter 4; which Chapter 4 relates to ANIMALS AND FOWL, which Article III relates to DOGS, which new Section 4-10.2 relates to OWNERS PROHIBITED FROM ALLOWING DOGS TO RUN AT LARGE, which Subsection (c), Section 4-11 relates to IMPOUNDING OF DOGS AND REDEMPTION, and which Section 4-20 relates to PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS.**

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Article III, Chapter 4 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1953, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended by adding a new section thereto numbered Section 4-10.2 to read as follows:

Section 4-10.2 Owners prohibited from allowing dogs to run at large.

It shall be unlawful for the owner of any dog to permit his dog, whether licensed or unlicensed, to run at large in the City of Alexandria at any time.

Section 2. That Subsection (c), Section 4-11, Article III, Chapter 4 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1953, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

(c) All the other applicable sections of this article shall be complied with.

Any dog which has been impounded and has not been redeemed by the owner may be destroyed or redeemed by and released to any person desiring to give such dog a home upon the payment of Three Dollars (\$3.00) and upon compliance with the applicable provisions of this article; provided, that any such dog shall be held for at least five days after impounding and in those cases where it is required that notice be given the owner, held for at least five days after the required notice has been given.

The sums collected pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be accounted for and promptly paid over to the City Collector for deposit in the general fund of the City.

Section 3. That Section 4-20, Article III, Chapter 4 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1953, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

Section 4-20 Penalty for violation of this article

Any owner who, after having been notified by any landowner, warden or other officer of the law that his dog is running at large, permits his dog to run at large thereafter, shall be deemed to have violated the provisions of Section 4-10.2 of this article, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than Five Dollars (\$5.00) nor more than Twenty Five Dollars (\$25.00) for each violation.

Any person violating any other provision of this article shall be punished by a fine of not more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or imprisonment in the city jail for a period not exceeding thirty days or by both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the City not later than five days following its introduction together with a notice containing the time and place for a public hearing. The Clerk of the Council shall note the date of introduction and first reading, the date of publication, the date of the public hearing, and the date of the second reading and final passage in the minutes of the meeting. This ordinance shall become effective the date of its final passage.

FRANK E. MANN

Mayor

Final Passage: October 24, 1961