

**Ordinance Amendment 2019-02**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDMENT AMENDING THE NUMBER OF DOGS OR CATS PER HOUSEHOLD.**

**WHEREAS**, the Durant City Council, Durant, Iowa, has discussed amending the City Code Chapter 24, Section 1 to increase the number of animals allowed per household;

**WHEREAS**, the following is currently City Code;

24-1 ANNUAL LICENSE REQUIRED. Every owner of a dog six (6) months shall procure a dog license from the City Clerk annually. The number of dogs, six months of age or older, shall be limited to three per household.

**WHEREAS** the proposed amendment shall change the language as follows:

24-1 ANNUAL LICENSE REQUIRED. Every owner of a dog six (6) months shall procure a dog license from the City Clerk annually.

(A)The number of dogs or cats, six months of age or older, shall be limited to four per household, only three of the same species. (For example three cats, one dog. Or three dogs, one cat). The limitation shall not apply to bona fide pet store in an appropriately zoned, or to a licensed kennel or veterinary hospital or clinic. No person shall harbor or maintain such a number of animals as to create unhealthful or unsanitary conditions for the humans or animals occupying the premises or create any other conditions constituting a nuisance.

**SECTION 2. REPEALER.** All ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE.** If any section, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of this ordinance as a whole or any section, provision or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

**SECTION 4. WHEN EFFECTIVE.** This ordinance shall be effect from and after its final passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

**PASSED AND ENACTED** by the City Council of Durant, Iowa, the 14<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2019.

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Scott Spengler, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Deana Cavin, City Operations Officer/Clerk

1<sup>st</sup> Reading 09/09/2019

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading 09/23/2019

3<sup>rd</sup> Reading 10/14/2019