

CURRENT ORDINANCE with Proposed Markups

ARTICLE V. - LIVESTOCK

Sec. 5-40. - Housing animals and fowl in city—~~Prohibited~~Fly breeding places as nuisances.

It shall be unlawful for any person to keep any horse, mule, cow, goat, sheep, pig, hog, swine, pigeon, chicken, rooster, poultry, or other fowl or livestock within the city limits of the Thibodaux, and is hereby declared prohibited.

~~Any stable or premises which may be maintained in the city for the housing and keeping of any horse, mule, cow, cattle, goat, sheep, pigeon, chicken, poultry or other animal or fowl, and in which flies are likely to breed, is hereby declared to be a nuisance and detrimental to the public health. The natural presence of fly larvae in any deposit found upon such stable or premises shall be evidence that flies are breeding thereon.~~

Sec. 5-41. — Removal and Penalty~~Odors from pens or coops declared sanitary nuisance.~~

Anyone owning any prohibited animal or fowl within the City of Thibodaux shall have the animals removed from their property within sixty (60) days after the effective date of this ordinance. Owners will receive a misdemeanor summons for any animals that remain on their property after that time.

~~In areas where the keeping or maintaining of animals or fowl is permitted under this chapter, it shall be unlawful to so maintain coops, stys, pens or enclosures where such animals or fowl are kept in an unsanitary manner, or in such condition that odors from such premises can be detected by persons inhabiting residences or living quarters; and such places so maintained are hereby declared to be sanitary nuisances.~~

~~Sec. 5-42. — Cleaning of pens and coops.~~

~~Whenever the keeping or maintenance of any animal or fowl is permitted upon any lands in the city the owner, agent, employee, servant or other person having charge of the premises and such animal or fowl, shall clean the pen, coop, sty, or other enclosure where such animal or fowl is kept each third day; and shall spray and disinfect such area each third day; and shall remove and destroy all refuse, droppings, manure, feathers, or other matters cleaned from such pens or enclosures.~~

~~Sec. 5-43. — Disposal of manure and droppings.~~

~~Animal manure and fowl droppings shall not be left above ground upon any premises in the city for longer than four (4) days; and it shall be the duty of any person occupying, owning or having control of the premises where fowl are permitted to be kept to collect and bury under six (6) inches of dirt or soil, or to remove and carry away all such manure and droppings each fourth day.~~

~~Sec. 5-44. — Hogs: Keeping of prohibited.~~

~~It shall be unlawful for any person to keep and maintain hogs or swine of any type upon any property or premises located within the city, and the keeping of hogs or swine of any type within the city is hereby declared to be a public nuisance.~~

~~Sec. 5-45. — Roosters, proximity to dwellings.~~

~~It shall be unlawful for any person, whether as owner or agent, to keep or cause to be kept within the city any rooster closer than one hundred (100) yards from any inhabited dwelling other than the dwelling of the owner thereof or the person keeping the same.~~

~~Sec. 5-46. — Running at large — Prohibited: Impounding; exceptions.~~

~~(a) — It shall be unlawful for any person owning or controlling any livestock or fowl to allow same to run or be at large in the city, and it shall be the duty of the police department to take up and deliver to the place designated therefor any such animal or fowl found at large. Each person owning or controlling such animal or fowl shall keep such animal and fowl in a substantial pen, coop or enclosure at all times.~~

~~(b) — The provisions of subsection (a) shall not apply to dogs or cats.~~

~~Sec. 5-47. — Redeeming impounded stock.~~

~~The owner of person responsible for any livestock or fowl impounded pursuant to this article may redeem such livestock or fowl at any time within five (5) days of the publication of notice of impounding by paying to the city a twenty dollar (\$20.00) impound fee plus the sum of ten dollars (\$10.00) per animal per day for each day or portion thereof that the animal has been in the custody of the city; provided that the payment of such fee shall not bar prosecution for violation of this Code.~~

~~Sec. 5-48. — Sale of unredeemed animals and fowl.~~

~~In the event livestock or fowl impounded under the provisions of this article is/are not reclaimed as provided herein, it shall be sold by the city with proceeds of said sale being paid to the city.~~

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Sec. 5-49. - Animals prohibited entrance to public property; equestrians; penalty for noncompliance.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person owning, controlling and/or possessing any horse, mule, cow, cattle, goat, sheep or other animals (dogs and cats excepted) to allow same to enter upon any public properties belonging to the city, or properties dedicated to public use in said city; provided however, that nothing herein contained shall prohibit horseback riding upon the public streets of Thibodaux.

(b) Any person who shall violate any provision of this section shall be punished as provided in section 1-8 of this Code. In the event a corporation is the owner and/or possessor, any or all members of said partnership, firm or association of persons may be prosecuted for the violation.