

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-01

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING UNALAKLEET MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 6.04, DOGS, TO INCLUDE A CLAUSE FOR KENNELS

WHEREAS, the City of Unalakleet's ordinance for dog registration went into effect January 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Council recognizes the hardships mushers already face at present day; and

WHEREAS, the Council would like to amend the ordinance to include a clause to accommodate residents who have kennels;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNALAKLEET, ALASKA:

Section 1: **Classification.** This ordinance is of permanent nature and shall be codified in the Unalakleet Municipal Code.

Section 2: **Severability.** If any provisions of this ordinance or any application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this ordinance and the application to other persons shall not be affected hereby.

Section 3: **Amendment of Chapter 6.04.** Unalakleet Municipal Code Section 6.04.120, Dog Registration, is hereby amended to read as follows, with the new language underlined:

6.04.120 Dog Registration

Any person who owns or has custody of a dog shall report to the City, not later than the first day of February and shall be required to pay the fee, except for a dog brought into the city for less than 30 days.

Any dog over the age of six months which is transferred, sold, or given away within the city shall be licensed by the new owner or custodian within fifteen days of the sale or acquisition.

Application for dog registration shall be to the City. The application shall include:

1. The name and residence of the owner of the animal;
2. The name, breed, color, age, sex, and reproductive status of the animal;
3. Proof that the animal has current rabies vaccination in accordance with Section 6.04.070; and
4. The registration fee required.

Animal registrations shall be valid for each calendar year, January to December. An application to renew an animal registration shall be made in the same manner as an application for a new registration.

No person shall use a City of Unalakleet registration receipt for an animal other than the one for which it was issued.

A kennel owner may obtain an annual kennel license for fifty dollars for a kennel of five to 10 dogs, or seventy-five dollars for a kennel of more than 10 dogs.

Section 3: **Effective Date.** This ordinance shall be published as provided by law and shall be effective upon adoption.

Introduction & First Reading: 1/26/2024

Public Hearing: 2/13/2024

VOTES FOR: ____ **VOTES AGAINST:** ____ **ABSTAIN:** ____ **ABSENT:** ____

PASSED AND APPROVED by a duly constituted quorum of the City Council of the City of Unalakleet, Alaska this ____ day of _____, 2023.

SIGNED: Abel Razzo, Mayor

ATTEST: City Clerk