

ORDINANCE 406-A

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING CHANGES TO ORDINANCE 406

WHEREAS, Rules governing the having, controlling, licensing and maintaining of animals within the City of Stilwell are vital to the health and safety of the residence of the City of Stilwell

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of this Council that adequate guidelines are essential for the efficient and effective fulfillment of the purpose of the Stilwell Animal Control Department,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STILWELL, OKLAHOMA:

ORDINANCE 406 shall forthwith be amended as per the following:

ARTICLE 1. Additions

SECTION 5. Unclaimed Animals

- C. Animals in the shelter may also be released to or adopted by persons outside the City limits provided they sign the “City of Stilwell Animal Adoption” form. There will be no charge assessed for the adoption, however it is required that the animal not be kept within the City limits or released back into the City without being properly vaccinated, spay/neutered, and licensed. Further, there is no guarantee about the health condition, (mental or physical), of the animal and any care needed will be the responsibility of the person adopting or accepting the animal.

SECTION 14. Hunting of Animals

Hunting of animals of any kind within the City limits is illegal.

SECTION 17. Animals Outside of City Limits

- A. Due to the cost of harboring animals, the City Animal Control will only take animals from inside the City limits. Further, Animal control will only investigate issues involving animals inside the City limits.
- B. Persons found bringing or guiding animals into the City and releasing them will be fined in accordance with current municipal costs for each animal released. This would include, but not be limited to, chasing animals out of the non-residence yard, guiding animals across streets or parking areas, removing animals from their vehicles releasing them into the City limits, etc.

SECTION 18. Surrendering Animals

- A. Persons within the City limits may surrender their animals to Animal Control provided they submit a signed “Surrendered Animal Release” form. No animal will be taken without the form. Once an animal is surrendered the 72-hour hold will not be necessary to turn the animal over for adoption, euthanize, or other release.

ARTICLE 2: Changes

SECTION 8. Certain Animals Prohibited

- N. Poisonous snakes

ARTICLE 3: The following SECTION and/or ITEM Numbers are changed.

SECTION 5 (C)	is now SECTION 5 (D)
SECTION 14. Killing of Animals	is now SECTION 15
SECTION 15. Cruelty to Animals	is now SECTION 16
SECTION 16. Indecent Exhibition of Animals	is now SECTION 17
SECTION 17. Fowl	is now SECTION 20
SECTION 18. Complaints	is now SECTION 21
SECTION 19. Enforcement	is now SECTION 22
SECTION 20. Repeal and Severability	is now SECTION 23

ARTICLE 4: All sections of Ordinance 406 remain in full force and effect.

PASSED by the City Council this 8th day of September, 2020.

APPROVED by the Mayor this 8th day of September, 2020.

ATTEST:

Jean Ann Wright, Mayor

Larry A, Nettles, City Clerk-Treasurer