

ORDINANCE NO. 2020 - 44

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 46
ESTABLISHING ANIMAL CONTROL FOR DOGS.

WHEREAS, on December 16, 1952, Vineland City Council adopted Ordinance No. 46 establishing animal control, said ordinance having been heretofore amended; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council have been active in the protection of domestic animals in the City of Vineland including free rabies clinics, promotion of Pennies for Pups donations, an expanded Police K-9 Division of the Vineland Police Department and the opening of the first Vineland user friendly Dog Park with the plans of opening another; and

WHEREAS, like many antiquated laws that, unbeknown to government officials, remain in the code books although never enforced, Ordinance No. 46, created in the year Vineland first became a City, 68 years ago, contains a provision that allows for the indiscriminate destruction of dogs found running at large; and

WHEREAS, the existence of this antiquated provision, also known as §224-20 of the Vineland City Code, has been brought to the attention of the Mayor and Governing Body who called for the amending of Ordinance No. 46 at the earliest time so as to delete this antiquated provision that does not reflect the modern values towards the canine companions of our community residents.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the City of Vineland that Ordinance No. 46 entitled “AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE CONTROL OF DOGS IN THE CITY OF VINELAND AND PRESCRIBING RULES AND REGULATIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF THE PROVISIONS THEREOF”, also known as Chapter 224, Article I of the Vineland City Code is hereby amended and revised as follows:

Delete the following section:

§224-20. Proclamation to destroy dogs running at large.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any ordinance or provision thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this ordinance shall take effect after final approval and publication as required by law.

Passed first reading:

Passed final reading:

President of Council

Approved by the Mayor:

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk