

Introduced by: City Manager Herron
Date: December 11, 2001
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CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA

ORDINANCE #01-46

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 6.04 OF THE
BETHEL MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING CARE AND RESTRAINT OF DOGS**

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Bethel, Alaska, that:

SECTION 1. Classification. This ordinance is permanent in nature and shall be incorporated into the Bethel Municipal Code ("Code").

SECTION 2. Content. Section 6.04.010 of the Bethel Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows (new language is underlined and deleted language is stricken out):

6.04.010 Definitions.

D. "Cat" means any domestic member of the family Felidae, commonly referred to as a "cat."

E. "Chronic animal noise" means noise by an animal or animals for more than twenty consecutive minutes within any sixty minute period during the daytime noise period from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. and more than ten consecutive minutes of noise in any 60 minute period during the nighttime noise period from 10:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.

F. "Custodian" means a person entrusted by the owner with the full responsibility for an animal.

~~G.~~ ~~E.~~ "Dog" means any member of the mammalia family Canidae commonly called dogs, but not fox, wolf or other game species the taking of which is regulated by the state. Any game species kept as a pet must have a valid state permit.

H. ~~F.~~ "Kennel" means a premises or property where four or more dogs six months of age or older are kept.

I. "Owner" means any person or custodian who owns, restrains, possesses or holds title to an animal or knowingly permits an animal to remain on the premises occupied by such person.

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SECTION 3. Content. Section 6.04.020 of the Bethel Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows (new language is underlined and deleted language is stricken out):

6.04.020 Care and Restraint of dogs.

D. ~~An owner shall prevent the dog from engaging in the following activities: barking, whining or howling in excessive, continuous or untimely fashion. It shall be unlawful for any owner or custodian of a dog to permit repeated or consecutive chronic animal noise so as to interfere with another person of normal sensibilities' sleep, work or reasonable right to peace or privacy.~~

SECTION 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately.

ENACTED THIS ____ DAY OF _____ 2001, by a vote of ____ in favor and ____ opposed.

ATTEST:

Stanley "Tundy" Rodgers, Mayor

Colleen Soberay, City Clerk