

**CITY OF CORDOVA, ALASKA
ORDINANCE 1242**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORDOVA, ALASKA,
REPEALING AND REENACTING CORDOVA MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 8.04,
ANIMALS, AND AMENDING CMC 1.28.085(C), MINOR OFFENSE FINE SCHEDULE, TO
MODERNIZE ANIMAL CONTROL, IMPOUNDMENT, BITE AND ATTACK RESPONSE,
POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS AND VICIOUS DOG PROCEDURES, QUARANTINE,
HUMANE DISPOSITION, ENFORCEMENT, AND PENALTIES**

WHEREAS, the City of Cordova has authority under its home rule powers and applicable Alaska law to adopt and enforce ordinances for the protection of public health, safety, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the existing animal-control provisions should be modernized while preserving established Cordova terminology and substantive requirements that remain appropriate, including the existing term “vicious dog,” and while adding clear procedures for animal restraint, licensing, bites and attacks, impoundment, quarantine, owner responsibilities, potentially dangerous dogs, vicious dogs, administrative review, and humane disposition; and

WHEREAS, the City Council further finds that public safety is best served by distinguishing ordinary animal-control violations from conduct involving unprovoked attacks, serious injury, quarantine violations, vicious dogs, obstruction, and unauthorized removal of impounded animals; and

WHEREAS, AS 29.25.070 authorizes municipalities to prescribe penalties for ordinance violations and, for violations that cannot result in incarceration or loss of a valuable license, to establish scheduled fines that may be disposed of without court appearance, subject to applicable limitations of state law; and

WHEREAS, Animal rabies vaccination, quarantine, testing, and disease-control requirements must remain consistent with applicable State of Alaska law and regulation, including 7 AAC 27.022, as amended; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance provides officers, animal-control personnel, animal owners, the courts, and the public with clear and enforceable standards while preserving procedural due process,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cordova, that:

Section 1. This ordinance is of a general and permanent nature and Sections 2 and 3 of this ordinance shall become part of the Cordova Municipal Code.

Section 2. Cordova Municipal Code 8.04 “Animals”, is repealed and reenacted as follows:

CHAPTER 8.04 – ANIMALS

8.04.010 – Definitions.

For purposes of this chapter, unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

- A. “Animal” means any domestic or domesticated vertebrate animal kept, possessed, harbored, maintained, or cared for by a person. The term does not include a human being or free-ranging wildlife unless specifically provided otherwise in this chapter.

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- B. “Animal control officer” means the chief animal control officer, a deputy animal control officer, a police officer, or another employee or agent of the city lawfully authorized to enforce this chapter.
- C. “Animal shelter” means any premises designated or approved by the city as an “animal shelter” and for the impoundment, quarantine, safekeeping, housing, treatment, adoption, or other lawful disposition of animals.
- D. “At large” means an animal that is off the premises of its owner and is not under restraint or otherwise under the immediate effective control of a person legally responsible for the animal.
- E. “Cat” means a domestic or domesticated member of the family Felidae.
- F. “Chief animal control officer” means the person appointed or designated by the city manager to administer and enforce this chapter. Unless another person is specifically appointed, the chief of police or the chief’s designee may perform the functions assigned to the chief animal control officer.
- G. “Potentially dangerous dog” means a dog that, without provocation, engages in aggressive conduct that presents a substantial risk of injury but has not met the definition of a vicious dog, including repeatedly chasing or approaching a person or domestic animal in a threatening manner, lunging, snapping, attempting to bite or attack, or repeatedly escaping restraint while displaying aggressive behavior. A dog shall not be classified as “potentially dangerous” solely because of breed, appearance, size, or generalized characteristics associated with a breed or type.
- H. “Direct control” means immediate physical restraint by leash, lead, enclosure, vehicle, or other means sufficient to prevent the animal from leaving the control of the responsible person.
- I. “Dog” means any domestic or domesticated member of the family Canidae.
- J. “Euthanize or euthanasia” means causing the death of an animal by a humane method permitted by applicable law and accepted veterinary practice.
- K. “Harbor or harboring” means keeping, maintaining, sheltering, feeding, or otherwise providing regular care for an animal, or permitting an animal to regularly remain or return to premises controlled by the person.
- L. “Impound or impoundment” means taking an animal into lawful custody and placing it in the animal shelter, veterinary facility, quarantine location, foster placement, or other location approved by the city.
- M. “Intact” means an animal that has not been surgically sterilized.
- N. “Leash” means a cord, strap, chain, lead, or similar device of sufficient strength and condition to maintain effective physical control of an animal.
- O. “Muzzle” means a properly fitted leather or humane wire restraint that fits over the dog’s nose and jaws to prevent it from biting.
- P. “Owner” means a person who owns, possesses, keeps, harbors, maintains, has custody or control of, or knowingly permits an animal to remain regularly on premises occupied or controlled by that person. Ownership may be established by licensing records, veterinary records, microchip information, purchase or adoption records, statements, possession, care, custody, or other reliable evidence.
- Q. “Vicious dog” means a dog that bites or attacks a human being or an animal without provocation as specifically determined by the city. For purposes of administration under this chapter, a dog meeting this definition may be subject to the notice, hearing, restraint, impoundment, release, and disposition procedures established in Sections 8.04.155 through 8.04.175.
- R. “Provocation” means conduct that would reasonably be expected to cause a normal animal to defend itself, its offspring, its owner, or another person from an actual or reasonably perceived immediate threat. Provocation does not include ordinary lawful movement, approaching an

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animal in a public place, or the mere presence of another person or animal. The determination of what constitutes “provocation” for purposes of this definition is determined solely by the city.

- S. “Quarantine” means confinement, isolation, observation, testing, or other disease-control measures required or approved by a governmental public-health authority or authorized veterinarian.
- T. “Rabies vaccination” means vaccination against rabies in accordance with applicable State of Alaska requirements.
- U. “Restrained or restraint” means maintaining an animal: (1) on the owner's premises within a secure structure, enclosure, fenced area, lawful tethering system, or other means reasonably sufficient to prevent escape; (2) on a leash under the control of a responsible person; (3) within an enclosed vehicle; (4) within a kennel, crate, carrier, or other suitable container; or (5) under another form of direct control specifically approved under this chapter.
- V. “Sanitation condition” means a condition in which animal feces, biological excretions, including but not limited hair, fur, feces, urine, and dead animals, are present and create an unsanitary environment.
- W. “Secure enclosure” means an enclosure designed, constructed, maintained, and secured so that an animal confined within it cannot escape, cannot readily reach a person or animal outside the enclosure, and cannot be released by an unauthorized person. An electronic or invisible fence alone is not a secure enclosure for a vicious dog.
- X. “Serious physical injury” means physical injury to a person or animal involving substantial risk of death, significant blood loss, substantial disfigurement, fracture, deep or multiple wounds, impairment of a bodily function, surgery, hospitalization, substantial veterinary treatment beyond routine first aid, or an injury of comparable severity.
- Y. “Sterile” means rendered incapable of reproduction by surgical procedure or another medically accepted permanent method.
- Z. “Veterinarian” means a veterinarian licensed or otherwise lawfully authorized to practice veterinary medicine in the State of Alaska.

8.04.020 - Fees and charges.

- A. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, fees and charges imposed under this chapter shall be established by resolution of the city council and may include:
 - 1. Dog licensing fees
 - 2. Replacement license-tag fees
 - 3. Impound fees
 - 4. Daily boarding or care fees
 - 5. After-hours release fees
 - 6. Quarantine expenses
 - 7. Veterinary expenses
 - 8. Vaccination expenses
 - 9. Microchip or identification expenses
 - 10. Vicious-dog registration fees
 - 11. Inspection or reinspection fees
 - 12. Adoption fees
 - 13. Other actual and reasonable costs incurred by the city for the care, control, transportation, treatment, confinement, or lawful disposition of an animal
- B. The council may establish progressively higher impound fees for repeated violations.
- C. A higher fee for a repeated impound does not by itself make an animal nonredeemable.

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D. Extraordinary expenses reasonably incurred by the city because of an animal's medical condition, behavior, special confinement needs, quarantine requirements, or other circumstances may be charged to the owner as provided by law.

8.04.030 - Administration; animal control officers; powers and duties.

- A. The city manager shall designate a chief animal control officer to administer and enforce this chapter.
- B. The city manager, chief of police, or chief animal control officer may designate police officers, city employees, contractors, or other authorized persons to perform animal-control duties consistent with applicable law.
- C. An animal control officer may:
 - 1. Investigate violations of this chapter
 - 2. Issue warnings, summonses, citations, and notices authorized by law
 - 3. Capture and impound animals as authorized by this chapter
 - 4. Conduct or arrange welfare and compliance inspections when lawfully authorized
 - 5. Collect photographs, video, witness statements, veterinary records, licensing information, and other evidence relevant to an investigation
 - 6. Order temporary safety precautions pending final disposition of an animal-control matter
 - 7. Obtain veterinary care reasonably necessary to protect an animal's health or public safety
 - 8. Enforce quarantine and disease-control requirements
 - 9. Return animals to their owners when authorized by this chapter
 - 10. Designate an animal as potentially dangerous or dangerous
 - 11. Enforce release conditions imposed under this chapter
 - 12. Take other lawful actions reasonably necessary to enforce this chapter
- D. Nothing in this chapter authorizes entry into a constitutionally protected area without consent, a warrant, exigent circumstances, or other lawful authority.
- E. If the city contracts with a private person or entity to operate an animal shelter, only those governmental powers that may lawfully be delegated may be delegated to the contractor.

8.04.040 - Dog license required.

- A. A person may not own, harbor, possess, or have custody of a dog six months of age or older within the city unless the dog has a current dog license issued by the City of Cordova, except as provided in subsection B of this section.
- B. A dog currently licensed by another governmental entity and temporarily present within the city for fewer than 30 consecutive days is exempt from the city licensing requirement unless the dog is designated dangerous or potentially dangerous under this chapter.
- C. A license application shall contain information required by the city, including the owner's identifying and contact information; the dog's name, breed or type if known, color, identifying markings, approximate age, sex, sterilization status, current rabies-vaccination information, microchip number or other permanent identification if any, and any designation or restriction imposed under this chapter.
- D. The city shall not issue a regular dog license unless applicable rabies-vaccination requirements have been met.
- E. The city may refuse to issue or renew a license when an owner is not compliant with the requirements of this chapter, including but not limited to vicious-dog registration requirements.

8.04.050 - Dog license tag; display and identification.

- A. The city shall issue an identification tag or other approved license identifier for each licensed dog.

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- B. Except when the dog is indoors, participating in an activity for which removal is reasonably necessary, or when removal is medically necessary, the license tag shall be attached to the dog's collar or harness.
- C. A microchip does not replace the licensing requirement but may serve as supplemental permanent identification.

8.04.060 - Replacement license tag.

The owner of a licensed dog shall obtain a replacement tag or other approved identifier when the original is lost, destroyed, or rendered unreadable.

8.04.070 - License not transferable; change of ownership.

- A. A license issued for one animal may not be transferred to another animal.
- B. Upon transfer of ownership of a licensed dog, the new owner shall update the registration information with the city within fifteen days.

8.04.080 - Provisional license.

- A. If a dog owner is temporarily unable to obtain a required rabies vaccination because no authorized provider is reasonably available in Cordova, the city may issue a provisional dog license to the extent permitted by applicable state law.
- B. A provisional license may be valid for a period not exceeding 90 days.
- C. The dog owner shall obtain the required vaccination as soon as reasonably practicable and before expiration of the provisional license unless otherwise authorized by applicable state law.
- D. A provisional license does not exempt an animal from quarantine, disease-control, or vicious-dog requirements.

8.04.090 - Licensing and animal-control records.

- A. The owner of a dog shall retain proof of current licensing and rabies vaccination required by this chapter and shall produce such documentation upon request by the city.

8.04.100 - Control and confinement of dogs.

- A. Except as provided in subsection B, an owner shall restrain a dog while the dog is outside the owner's premises.
- B. Within the UR unrestricted zoning district, a dog need not be continuously leashed or enclosed while off the owner's premises if the dog remains under the immediate effective control of a responsible person; does not enter private property without permission; does not interfere with the lawful use of public property; does not chase, threaten, attack, or harass a person or animal; does not chase vehicles; and is not subject to a more restrictive requirement under this chapter. The UR zoning exception does not apply to a potentially dangerous or vicious dog.
- C. A dog owner shall maintain structures, kennels, pens, yards, and other areas used to keep a dog, in a sanitary condition reasonably free from accumulated animal waste and objectionable odor.
- D. The owner of an intact female dog in heat shall confine the dog in a manner reasonably sufficient to prevent uncontrolled breeding.
- E. An owner shall prevent the owner's dog from:
 1. Biting or attacking a person
 2. Attacking another domestic animal
 3. Chasing, threatening, or aggressively confronting pedestrians, bicyclists, or other lawful passersby
 4. Chasing vehicles
 5. Damaging public or private property

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6. Repeatedly entering another person's property without permission
 7. Creating continuous or repeated noise
 8. Depositing feces on property other than the owner's property without the person responsible for the animal promptly removing the waste
 9. Otherwise creating a substantial threat to public safety
- F. For purposes of subsection E(7), continuous barking, whining, howling, or similar noise for 15 minutes or longer constitutes a rebuttable presumption of unreasonable animal noise, but shorter repeated periods may also constitute a violation based upon frequency, time of day, duration, and surrounding circumstances.
- G. No person other than the dog owner, a person authorized by the owner, or an officer acting within lawful authority, may knowingly release a dog from lawful restraint or confinement, except when reasonably necessary to prevent imminent death or serious injury.

8.04.110 - Control and confinement of cats.

- A. A cat owner shall exercise reasonable control over a cat and shall not knowingly permit the cat to:
1. Attack a person or another domestic animal
 2. Repeatedly enter another person's dwelling or enclosed structure without permission
 3. Repeatedly damage public or private property
 4. Create an unreasonable sanitation condition or nuisance
 5. Engage in conduct presenting a substantial threat to public health or safety
- B. A cat owner shall maintain structures, pens, yards, litter areas, and other areas in which cats are kept in a reasonably sanitary condition.
- C. An owner of an intact female cat in heat shall take reasonable measures to prevent uncontrolled breeding.
- D. A cat may be impounded when the cat is injured, ill, abandoned, or in apparent distress; creates an immediate public-safety or public-health hazard; has attacked a person or another domestic animal; the owner cannot reasonably be identified or located and impoundment is necessary for the cat's welfare; the cat is subject to quarantine; or impoundment is otherwise authorized under this chapter.

8.04.120 - Control of other domestic animals.

- A. An owner of livestock or another domestic animal other than a dog or cat shall not knowingly permit the animal to roam unrestrained.
- B. The animal owner shall maintain areas where such animals are kept in a reasonably sanitary condition.

8.04.130 - Disease control and rabies.

- A. An animal owner shall cause an animal to be vaccinated against rabies when vaccination is required by state law or regulation.
- B. An animal owner shall produce lawful proof of vaccination when requested by an officer.
- C. Animal bites or other potential rabies exposures shall be reported when required by state law or regulation. An owner whose animal bites a person shall promptly provide identifying and vaccination information to the investigating officer.
- D. An animal subject to rabies confinement, observation, testing, quarantine, revaccination, euthanasia, or other disease-control measures shall be handled in accordance with applicable State of Alaska law.

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- E. An animal owner shall produce an animal for lawful quarantine, observation, testing, veterinary examination, or other disease-control action when ordered by an authorized officer or public-health authority.
- F. No person may knowingly remove, conceal, transfer, release, or destroy an animal subject to a lawful quarantine or disease-control order without authorization from the applicable governmental authority, except when emergency veterinary treatment is immediately necessary to preserve life and notification to the governmental authority is made as soon as practicable.
- G. The animal owner is responsible for all costs of quarantine, veterinary examination, testing, transportation, confinement, vaccination, or other care attributable to the owner's animal, except when otherwise required by law.

8.04.135 - Animal bites and attacks; duties following incident.

- A. The owner or person having custody of an animal involved in a bite or attack shall, when reasonably possible:
 - 1. Immediately obtain control of the animal
 - 2. Prevent additional contact between the animal and the victim
 - 3. Provide the owner's name, address, and contact information to the victim or investigating officer
 - 4. Provide licensing and rabies-vaccination information upon request
 - 5. Remain at or return to the scene when directed by an officer
 - 6. Cooperate with reasonable efforts to identify and locate the animal
 - 7. Produce the animal for quarantine or examination when lawfully required
 - 8. Comply with temporary safety restrictions lawfully imposed under this chapter
- B. A person shall promptly report to the Cordova Police Department an animal attack that results in injury to a person; results in serious physical injury or death of another domestic animal; involves an animal already designated potentially dangerous or dangerous; creates a continuing immediate threat to public safety; or may involve rabies or another communicable disease.
- C. An investigating officer may photograph injuries, the involved animal, relevant locations, damaged property, and other evidence and may request veterinary or medical documentation reasonably related to the investigation.
- D. Nothing in this section requires a person to place themselves in danger in order to restrain an animal.

8.04.140 - Impoundment.

- A. An animal control officer may impound an animal when the officer has probable cause or other lawful grounds to believe any of the following:
 - 1. The animal is at large in violation of this chapter and cannot safely or reasonably be returned to the owner
 - 2. The owner is unknown, unavailable, unwilling, or unable to immediately assume safe custody
 - 3. The animal has bitten or attacked a person
 - 4. The animal has attacked or seriously injured another domestic animal
 - 5. The animal is potentially dangerous or dangerous
 - 6. The animal presents an immediate threat to public safety
 - 7. The animal is injured, ill, abandoned, neglected, or in apparent distress and impoundment is reasonably necessary for its protection
 - 8. The animal is subject to quarantine, testing, or another disease-control requirement
 - 9. The animal is being held as evidence when authorized by law

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10. The owner has failed to comply with a lawful release condition or vicious-dog restriction and impoundment is necessary to protect public safety
 11. Impoundment is otherwise authorized by law
- B. For an ordinary violation not involving an attack, bite, quarantine, vicious-dog investigation, animal-welfare emergency, evidentiary hold, or continuing public-safety risk, an officer may return the animal directly to the owner and issue a warning or citation in lieu of impoundment. Nothing in this subsection requires an officer to return an animal when the officer believes impoundment is necessary for public safety, investigation, quarantine, or the welfare of the animal.
 - C. An animal may be held and shall not be released when a quarantine or public-health order requires continued confinement; the animal is being lawfully held as evidence; a vicious-dog investigation is pending and the chief animal control officer determines release would create a substantial risk to public safety; a final order requires continued impoundment; or another law prohibits release.
 - D. The chief animal control officer or designee may authorize temporary release of an animal pending investigation subject to conditions reasonably necessary to protect public safety, including secure confinement, leash requirements, muzzle requirements, separation from specified persons or animals, prohibition on transfer or removal from the city, veterinary examination, rabies vaccination when legally permissible, microchipping or other identification, and inspection of the proposed confinement location.
 - E. An officer may use any reasonable means necessary to capture, transport, control, and impound an animal, including but not limited to the use of catch poles, kennels, cable loops, and if necessary to protect life or property, tranquilization.

8.04.145 - Notice of impoundment.

- A. When the identity of the owner is known or can reasonably be determined, the city shall attempt to provide notice of impoundment as soon as reasonably practicable and no more than 72 hours after impoundment.
- B. Notice may be provided in-person, by telephone, electronic communication, first-class mail, certified mail when appropriate, or another method reasonably calculated to notify the owner.
- C. Written notice shall include, when applicable, a description of the animal; date, time, and general location of impoundment; reason for impoundment; applicable ordinance provisions; location where the animal is being held; known fees and charges; requirements for release; whether the animal is being investigated for designation as potentially dangerous or dangerous; whether release is temporarily prohibited; the deadline to request a hearing when hearing rights apply; the consequences of failing to redeem the animal; and city contact information.
- D. Failure to actually receive notice does not invalidate otherwise lawful action when the city has made reasonable efforts to notify the owner at the owner's last known contact information.

8.04.150 - Redemption and release from impoundment.

- A. Except when release is prohibited under this chapter, an owner or authorized agent may redeem an impounded animal after establishing ownership or authority to receive the animal; providing government-issued identification when reasonably required; paying or making approved arrangements for applicable fees and charges; obtaining any license required by this chapter; providing proof of required rabies vaccination or complying with vaccination requirements under state and local law; and complying with any reasonable release conditions applicable to the animal.

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- B. An impounded animal may be released only by the chief animal control officer, the chief of police, or a person specifically designated by either of these officials, or an animal-shelter employee or contractor acting in compliance with established city procedures. A person without such authority may not release or remove an impounded animal.
- C. When reasonably related to the circumstances that caused the impoundment or to documented safety concerns, release may be conditioned upon repair or improvement of fencing or confinement; use of a leash; use of a properly fitted muzzle; secure enclosure; updated licensing; rabies vaccination; microchipping or permanent identification; veterinary examination; separation from specified animals; owner education or responsible-animal-ownership training; inspection of the proposed confinement location; compliance with a vicious-dog order; or another reasonable condition directly related to preventing recurrence of the conduct that caused impoundment.
- D. Repeated impoundments may result in increased fees, additional release conditions, citations, or consideration of whether the animal should be designated potentially dangerous or dangerous. No animal shall automatically become forfeited solely because it has previously been impounded a specified number of times.
- E. A person other than the registered or documented owner may receive an impounded animal only upon presentation of written authorization satisfactory to the city or other reliable proof of lawful authority. The city may require notarized authorization when circumstances reasonably warrant verification.

8.04.155 - Potentially dangerous and vicious dog designation.

- A. Following a qualifying incident involving a dog, the chief animal control officer or designee may investigate whether the dog should be classified as potentially dangerous or vicious under this chapter.
- B. The determination may consider officer observations; photographs and video; witness statements; medical and veterinary records; the nature and location of injuries; circumstances preceding the incident; evidence of provocation; whether the dog was lawfully confined; prior documented incidents, warnings, citations, or impoundments; prior safety restrictions; behavior of the dog during and after the incident; professional veterinary or behavioral assessments; and other reliable evidence relevant to the incident and future risk.
- C. A dog may be classified as potentially dangerous upon a finding by a preponderance of the evidence that the dog meets the definition of a potentially dangerous dog in Section 8.04.010.
- D. A dog may be classified as a vicious dog upon a finding by a preponderance of the evidence that the dog meets the definition of a vicious dog in Section 8.04.010.
- E. A dog shall not be classified as potentially dangerous or vicious solely because the dog responded to substantial provocation; defended itself from an unlawful attack; protected a person from an actual unlawful attack; responded reasonably while the injured person was committing or attempting to commit a crime against the owner or upon the owner's premises; responded to unlawful abuse, torment, or attack; responded proportionately after another animal initiated the attack; or was a police or other government working dog acting under lawful command in the performance of official duties.
- F. The owner shall receive written notice of a proposed classification stating the proposed classification; the conduct forming the basis of the classification; restrictions that will apply; whether the dog will remain impounded; fees or costs then due; the owner's right to request a hearing; and the deadline and procedure for requesting a hearing.

8.04.160 - Restrictions on potentially dangerous and vicious dogs.

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- A. The owner of a potentially dangerous dog shall comply with restrictions stated in the classification order. Restrictions may include leash requirements; secure confinement; a properly fitted humane muzzle when reasonably necessary; microchip identification; warning signage; inspection and approval of the confinement area; responsible-animal-ownership or behavioral training; veterinary or behavioral evaluation; separation from specified persons or animals; prompt reporting of escape; inspection of licensing and vaccination documentation, and other restrictions reasonably related to preventing recurrence.
- B. In addition to the control requirements otherwise imposed by this chapter, the owner of a vicious dog shall at all times confine the dog in a building or secure enclosure, or maintain the dog under direct physical control with safeguards, including a properly fitted humane muzzle when required, sufficient to prevent the dog from injuring persons, animals, or property. The owner shall post a conspicuous warning sign at the entrance to premises where the vicious dog is kept. Unless otherwise specifically authorized by a final order, the owner of a vicious dog shall also:
 - 1. Maintain a current city dog license and any vicious-dog registration required by the final order or fee schedule
 - 2. Maintain current rabies vaccination as required by law
 - 3. Ensure the animal is permanently identified by microchip unless medically contraindicated
 - 4. Keep the animal within a building or secure enclosure when on the owner's premises and not under immediate physical control
 - 5. Keep the animal on a secure leash controlled by a responsible adult whenever the animal is off the owner's premises
 - 6. Use a muzzle whenever the animal is off the owner's premises unless the final order specifically finds a muzzle unnecessary
 - 7. Post conspicuous warning signage at the primary entrance to premises where the animal is regularly kept
 - 8. Prevent the animal from being left unattended in a manner allowing access to members of the public
 - 9. Immediately report an escape or unauthorized release to the Cordova Police Department
 - 10. Notify the city before transferring ownership or permanently relocating the animal
 - 11. Provide the city with the new owner's identifying and contact information before any authorized transfer
 - 12. Notify the city if the animal dies
 - 13. Comply with all additional requirements stated in the final potentially dangerous or vicious-dog order
- C. Before release of a dog classified as vicious, the city may inspect the proposed confinement arrangement with the owner's consent, a warrant, or other lawful authority to determine compliance with the final order.
- D. A vicious dog may not be sold, given away, transferred, or permanently removed from the city for the purpose of avoiding restrictions imposed under this chapter. A lawful transfer approved under this chapter does not relieve the owner of any duty to provide required notice or records.
- E. A vicious dog found at large or maintained in material violation of a final order may be immediately impounded as provided in Section 8.04.140.

8.04.165 - Administrative hearing and appeal.

- A. The owner of a dog classified as a potentially dangerous-dog or a vicious-dog may request an administrative hearing to challenge a potentially dangerous-dog classification; a vicious-dog

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classification; continued impoundment pending classification; conditions imposed as part of a classification or release order; or a determination that an animal is not eligible for release.

- B. A request for hearing shall be submitted in writing to the city within seven calendar days after personal service or receipt of written notice. The city manager may accept a late request upon a showing of good cause. The request for the hearing shall specify the reasons for the hearing.
- C. The hearing shall be conducted by a qualified hearing officer designated by the city manager who did not personally make the determination being appealed.
- D. The city shall schedule the hearing as soon as reasonably practicable, ordinarily within 10 business days after receiving a timely request, unless the parties agree to another date, additional time is reasonably necessary to obtain material evidence, a quarantine controls the animal's status, or the hearing officer determines good cause otherwise exists for a continuance.
- E. The hearing need not comply with formal rules of evidence. Each party may present testimony; documents, photographs, video, medical or veterinary records, and other relevant evidence; present witnesses; question opposing witnesses through procedures established by the hearing officer; and be represented by counsel at the party's own expense.
- F. The city bears the burden of establishing a potentially dangerous-dog or vicious-dog classification by a preponderance of the evidence.
- G. The animal may remain impounded pending the hearing when the chief animal control officer reasonably determines that release would create a substantial risk to public safety, violate a quarantine requirement, interfere with a lawful evidentiary hold, or otherwise be prohibited by law. The city may authorize conditional release pending hearing when the city determines adequate safeguards can reasonably protect public safety.
- H. The hearing officer shall issue a written decision stating findings of material fact; the determination; restrictions, if any; whether the animal may be released; costs or fees for which the dog owner is responsible; and further appeal rights available under applicable law.
- I. If the hearing officer determines that an animal was improperly impounded or that continued impoundment was not reasonably justified, the city shall waive impound or boarding charges attributable to the improper portion of the impoundment.
- J. The hearing officer's decision constitutes the final administrative decision of the city unless another administrative review is expressly required by law. Judicial review may be sought as provided by applicable Alaska law and rules of court.

8.04.170 - Abandoned, surrendered, and unclaimed animals.

- A. Except for an animal subject to quarantine, evidentiary hold, potentially dangerous- or vicious-dog proceeding, court order, or another legal restriction, an impounded animal may be deemed abandoned if the owner does not redeem the animal within five business days after legally sufficient notice of impoundment.
- B. When the owner is unknown, the city shall make reasonable efforts consistent with available resources to identify the owner, including examination for tags or microchip information when practicable.
- C. An owner may voluntarily surrender an animal to the city using a form approved by the city. A surrender transfers to the city all ownership interest necessary to permit lawful placement, adoption, transfer, veterinary treatment, or euthanasia of the animal.
- D. The voluntary surrender of an animal does not transfer ownership to the City for the purpose of avoiding quarantine, investigation, a potentially dangerous- or vicious-dog proceeding, a court order, or any legal responsibility arising from a bite or attack unless expressly permitted by the chief animal officer.

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- E. A person may not knowingly surrender an animal belonging to another person without lawful authority.

8.04.175 - Disposition, adoption, transfer, and euthanasia.

- A. The city may place an abandoned or lawfully surrendered animal for adoption or transfer when the city determines that the animal is suitable for placement, is not subject to quarantine or evidentiary hold, and placement is otherwise lawful.
- B. A dog finally classified as vicious shall not be placed for ordinary adoption unless the classification has been rescinded or a final disposition order authorizes transfer to an appropriately qualified rescue, sanctuary, facility, or person capable of complying with all restrictions imposed under this chapter and applicable law.
- C. The city may obtain emergency or reasonably necessary veterinary examination, treatment, medication, quarantine, testing, or other care for an impounded animal. When practicable, nonemergency treatment decisions shall consider the animal's condition, prognosis, ownership status, public-health requirements, and lawful disposition status.
- D. An animal may be humanely euthanized only when: (1) a licensed veterinarian determines that immediate euthanasia is reasonably necessary to prevent substantial and unnecessary suffering; (2) a licensed veterinarian determines that the animal has injuries or disease incompatible with humane continued survival; (3) euthanasia, destruction, or testing is required or authorized by controlling public-health law or regulation, including applicable rabies-control requirements; (4) the owner lawfully surrenders the animal and requests euthanasia, provided the animal is not subject to quarantine, evidentiary hold, court order, or a pending potentially dangerous- or vicious-dog proceeding that legally prevents disposition; (5) a final administrative or judicial disposition order authorizes euthanasia of a vicious dog after all timely hearing and appeal rights have expired or been exhausted; or (6) the animal has become abandoned or unclaimed under this chapter, cannot lawfully or safely be placed, reasonable placement efforts appropriate to the circumstances have been unsuccessful, and the city manager or designee determines in writing that continued confinement is no longer reasonably humane or practicable.
- E. In determining whether euthanasia is an appropriate final disposition of a vicious dog, the hearing officer or court, as applicable, shall consider the severity and circumstances of the incident; whether death or serious physical injury occurred; prior attacks or documented aggressive incidents; prior violations of restrictions or orders; evidence of provocation; the likelihood of future serious injury; whether secure confinement and enforceable restrictions can reasonably control the risk; veterinary or qualified behavioral evidence; the owner's history of compliance; the availability of a qualified lawful alternative placement; and other relevant public-safety and animal-welfare considerations.
- F. Except for emergency veterinary euthanasia under subsection D(1) or D(2), euthanasia or testing required or authorized by controlling public-health law under subsection D(3), or action otherwise lawfully necessary to stop an animal presenting an immediate threat of death or serious physical injury, the city shall not euthanize an owned animal while a timely administrative hearing or judicial appeal concerning the proposed disposition is pending. Nonemergency euthanasia shall be authorized in writing by the city manager or designee after verification that all applicable notice, hearing, quarantine, evidentiary-hold, and appeal requirements have been satisfied. When the owner is known, the city shall provide reasonable notice of the final disposition. The city shall document the identity of the animal, the legal and factual basis for euthanasia, authorizing person, date and time, method, person or veterinarian performing the procedure, any specimens retained for public-health or evidentiary purposes, and disposition of the remains. Remains shall be released to the owner when lawful and requested within the period

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established by city procedure, or otherwise disposed of humanely and lawfully. Reasonable veterinary, testing, euthanasia, cremation or disposal, boarding, and related costs may be assessed to the owner when authorized by law. Nothing in this section limits otherwise lawful action by an officer to protect a person from an immediate threat of death or serious physical injury.

8.04.180 - Prohibited conduct.

No person may knowingly:

- A. Make, use, possess, alter, or present a stolen, counterfeit, forged, or materially falsified animal license, license tag, rabies-vaccination certificate, microchip record, veterinary record, or other document required under this chapter
- B. Interfere with, obstruct, hinder, threaten, or prevent an animal control officer from lawfully performing duties under this chapter; provided that constitutionally protected speech, refusal to consent to a search, and other lawful conduct do not constitute interference
- C. Release or remove an animal from lawful impoundment without authorization
- D. Conceal or relocate an animal for the purpose of preventing lawful impoundment, quarantine, investigation, or enforcement
- E. Violate a lawful quarantine or disease-control order
- F. Violate a final potentially dangerous-dog or vicious-dog order
- G. Fail to produce an animal when lawfully required for quarantine, examination, or enforcement
- H. Provide materially false ownership, vaccination, or identification information during an animal-control investigation
- I. Remove or alter a warning sign or identification required for a vicious dog without authorization
- J. Transfer a vicious dog in violation of this chapter
- K. Otherwise knowingly violate a requirement imposed by this chapter

8.04.185 - Vehicle collision involving injury to animal.

- A. A driver of a vehicle involved in a collision resulting in apparent injury to a domestic animal shall promptly notify the Cordova Police Department; provide the location of the collision; provide a description of the animal and apparent injuries; and provide identifying information reasonably requested by the responding officer.
- B. Nothing in this section requires a person to approach or handle an injured animal.

8.04.195 - Regulation of trapping.

- A. No person may engage in trapping, except as provided in this section, in the following areas: within the city limits as of February 1993, in the area annexed to the city on or after March 1993 that is directly south, south-west and west of the city limits as of February 1993, and not within the parks and open space zoning district established under Title 18. Within these areas, trapping is permitted:
 - 1. Within an enclosed structure, by, or with the permission of, a person who owns or is in lawful possession of the structure, using traps of any size and type;
 - 2. By employees or governmental units or agencies who, using live-traps, in the course of their duties, are required to trap animals for authorized purposes or specific animal nuisance problems.
- B. No person may engage in trapping, except as provided in this section, within two hundred yards of the right of way of Power Creek Road which is in the area annexed to the city on and after March 1993. Trapping is permitted:
 - 1. Within an enclosed structure, by, or with the permission of, a person who owns or is in lawful possession of the structure, using traps of any size and type;

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2. By employees or governmental units or agencies who, using live-traps, in the course of their duties, are required to trap animals for authorized purposes or specific animal nuisance problems.
- C. No person may engage in trapping, except as provided in this section, in the following areas: in the area annexed to the city on and after March 1993 which is north, north-east, east and south-east of the city limits as of February 1993, but not within two hundred yards of the right of way of Power Creek Road. Within these areas, trapping is permitted:
1. Within 200 yards of the right-of-way of any publicly maintained road including without limitation the following roads: Copper River Highway, Sheridan Glacier Road, Cabin Lake Road, and the Ibeck Creek dike road, using boxed Conibears no larger than one hundred twenty, and completely submerged traps of any size and type.
 2. More than 200 yards from the right-of-way of any publicly maintained road, using traps of any size and type.
- D. Any traps deemed unsafe or illegal by a city police officer may be removed by these officials. The officials shall attempt to notify the owner of the trap.

8.04.190 - Violations; citations; penalties; continuing offenses.

- A. A person who violates a provision of this chapter may be issued a warning, citation, summons, notice of violation, or other enforcement process authorized by law.
- B. Unless a lower maximum is expressly provided in this chapter or CMC 1.28.085(C), a person convicted of a violation under this chapter is subject to a \$300 fine.
- C. Except when provisions describe the same conduct and one violation is necessarily included within another, each separate act or omission constitutes a separate offense.
- D. When a provision imposes a continuing duty to correct a condition, each day the violation continues constitutes a separate violation.
- E. When a person commits a violation involving more than one animal, each animal constitutes a separate violation when the prohibited conduct or duty applies separately to each animal.
- F. A fine imposed under this chapter is separate from impound fees, boarding charges, veterinary expenses, quarantine expenses, licensing fees, vicious-dog registration fees, microchip expenses, actual costs incurred by the city, restitution, civil damages, and other lawful fees or obligations.
- G. A citation or conviction is separate from an administrative potentially dangerous-dog or vicious-dog classification. Resolution of a municipal citation does not automatically terminate an administrative animal-control proceeding, although the underlying evidence and disposition may be considered as permitted by law.
- H. A fine or penalty under this chapter shall be based on the person's conduct, the animal's conduct, prior documented violations, and applicable orders, and shall not be increased solely because of the breed or perceived breed of the animal.

8.04.200 - Construction; other law; severability within chapter.

- A. This chapter shall be interpreted consistently with applicable federal and state law.
- B. When state public-health, animal-disease, wildlife, veterinary, or court requirements impose a stricter or controlling requirement, the applicable state or federal requirement controls.
- C. Nothing in this chapter limits a person's civil remedies; criminal or civil enforcement available under state law; the city's authority to address animal cruelty, neglect, nuisance, or public-safety conditions under other applicable law; or emergency action otherwise authorized by law.
- D. If a provision of this chapter conflicts with another city ordinance, the more specific provision controls to the extent of the conflict unless otherwise required by law.

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- E. Remedies and violations under this chapter are in addition to any and all other remedies and violations that may exist under law.

Section 3. Cordova Municipal Code 1.28.085 “Minor Offense Fine Schedule”, is amended to read as follows:

CODE REF.	CODE TITLE	FINE PER DAY	
Property Tax Exemptions and Deferrals			
5.06.020(F)	False application for exemption.	\$1,000.00	
5.06.020(F)	False representation regarding tax exemption or deferral.	\$1,000.00	
5.06.070	Failure to notify assessor of change in ownership, use, or sale.	\$300.00	
Sales Tax			
5.10.330(A)	Buyer or seller knowingly or negligently submitting false information in a document filed with the City	\$500.00	
5.10.330(B)	Seller who knowingly or negligently submits false information in a document filed with the City	\$500.00	
5.10.330(C)	Seller knowingly or negligently falsifies or conceals information related to its business activities with the City	\$500.00	
5.10.330(D)	Person knowingly or negligently provides false information when applying for an exemption	\$500.00	
5.10.330(F)	Seller falsifies or misrepresents any record filed with the City	\$500.00	
5.10.330(G)	Misuse of an exemption card	\$50.00 per misuse	
Business Taxes, Licenses and Regulations			
6.12.020	Alcoholic beverages, requirements for hours of operation.	\$75.00	
6.12.030	Alcoholic beverages, consumption in public.	\$75.00	
6.12.040	Alcoholic beverages, exceptions by use permit.	\$75.00	
6.24.120	Taxi cabs, failure for customer to pay for taxi service.	\$75.00	
6.30.020	Fireworks-Selling without current state permit and proof of insurance.	\$75.00	
6.30.025	Fireworks-Selling to person under age of 18, within 250 feet of a residence or public assembly.	\$75.00	
6.30.030	Fireworks-Discharging or exploding within zoned corporate limits of the city excluding sparklers and caps.	\$75.00	
Animals			
		Level	Fine
8.04.040(A)	Failure to license dog	1st	\$75
8.04.040(A)	Failure to license dog	2nd	\$150
8.04.040(A)	Failure to license dog	3rd/subsequent	\$250
8.04.040(C)	Failure to timely license newly acquired dog	Any	\$75

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<u>8.04.050(B)</u>	<u>Failure to display required dog license identification</u>	<u>Any</u>	<u>\$50</u>
<u>8.04.060</u>	<u>Failure to obtain replacement license identification</u>	<u>Any</u>	<u>\$50</u>
<u>8.04.070(A)</u>	<u>Unauthorized transfer/use of animal license</u>	<u>Any</u>	<u>\$100</u>
<u>8.04.070(B)</u>	<u>Failure to update ownership information</u>	<u>Any</u>	<u>\$75</u>
<u>8.04.090(A)</u>	<u>Failure to produce licensing/vaccination documentation</u>	<u>Any</u>	<u>\$75</u>
<u>8.04.100(A)</u>	<u>Dog at large / failure to restrain</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>\$100</u>
<u>8.04.100(A)</u>	<u>Dog at large / failure to restrain</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>\$200</u>
<u>8.04.100(A)</u>	<u>Dog at large / failure to restrain</u>	<u>3rd/subsequent</u>	<u>\$300</u>
<u>8.04.100(B)</u>	<u>Failure to maintain effective control in UR district</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>\$100</u>
<u>8.04.100(B)</u>	<u>Failure to maintain effective control in UR district</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>\$200</u>
<u>8.04.100(B)</u>	<u>Failure to maintain effective control in UR district</u>	<u>3rd/subsequent</u>	<u>\$300</u>
<u>8.04.100(C)</u>	<u>Unsanitary dog-keeping conditions</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>\$100</u>
<u>8.04.100(C)</u>	<u>Unsanitary dog-keeping conditions</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>\$200</u>
<u>8.04.100(C)</u>	<u>Unsanitary dog-keeping conditions</u>	<u>3rd/subsequent</u>	<u>\$300</u>
<u>8.04.100(D)</u>	<u>Failure to control female dog in heat</u>	<u>Any</u>	<u>\$150</u>
<u>8.04.100(E)(2)</u>	<u>Dog attack on domestic animal - no serious injury</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>\$300</u>
<u>8.04.100(E)(3)</u>	<u>Dog chasing/threatening/aggressively confronting person</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>\$200</u>
<u>8.04.100(E)(3)</u>	<u>Dog chasing/threatening/aggressively confronting person</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>\$350</u>
<u>8.04.100(E)(4)</u>	<u>Dog chasing vehicle</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>\$100</u>
<u>8.04.100(E)(4)</u>	<u>Dog chasing vehicle</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>\$200</u>
<u>8.04.100(E)(4)</u>	<u>Dog chasing vehicle</u>	<u>3rd/subsequent</u>	<u>\$300</u>
<u>8.04.100(E)(5)</u>	<u>Animal damage to public/private property</u>	<u>Any</u>	<u>\$200</u>
<u>8.04.100(E)(6)</u>	<u>Repeated animal trespass after notice</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>\$100</u>
<u>8.04.100(E)(6)</u>	<u>Repeated animal trespass after notice</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>\$200</u>
<u>8.04.100(E)(6)</u>	<u>Repeated animal trespass after notice</u>	<u>3rd/subsequent</u>	<u>\$300</u>
<u>8.04.100(E)(7)</u>	<u>Unreasonable animal noise</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>\$75</u>
<u>8.04.100(E)(7)</u>	<u>Unreasonable animal noise</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>\$150</u>
<u>8.04.100(E)(7)</u>	<u>Unreasonable animal noise</u>	<u>3rd/subsequent</u>	<u>\$250</u>
<u>8.04.100(E)(8)</u>	<u>Failure to remove animal feces</u>	<u>Any</u>	<u>\$75</u>
<u>8.04.100(G)</u>	<u>Unauthorized release of dog from restraint - non-vicious dog</u>	<u>Any</u>	<u>\$250</u>
<u>8.04.110(A)(1)</u>	<u>Cat attack - no serious injury</u>	<u>Any</u>	<u>\$300</u>
<u>8.04.110(A)(2)-(4)</u>	<u>Cat trespass/property damage/sanitation/nuisance</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>\$75</u>

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<u>8.04.110(A)(2)-(4)</u>	<u>Cat trespass/property damage/sanitation/nuisance</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>\$150</u>
<u>8.04.110(A)(2)-(4)</u>	<u>Cat trespass/property damage/sanitation/nuisance</u>	<u>3rd/subsequent</u>	<u>\$250</u>
<u>8.04.120(A)</u>	<u>Livestock/other domestic animal at large creating hazard</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>\$150</u>
<u>8.04.120(A)</u>	<u>Livestock/other domestic animal at large creating hazard</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>\$300</u>
<u>8.04.130(A)</u>	<u>Failure to maintain required rabies vaccination</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>\$150</u>
<u>8.04.130(A)</u>	<u>Failure to maintain required rabies vaccination</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>\$300</u>
<u>8.04.130(B)</u>	<u>Failure to produce rabies-vaccination documentation</u>	<u>Any</u>	<u>\$100</u>
<u>8.04.135(A)(3)-(4)</u>	<u>Failure to provide owner/licensing/vaccination information after bite/attack</u>	<u>Any</u>	<u>\$250</u>
<u>8.04.160</u>	<u>Failure to Comply with Restrictions on potentially dangerous and vicious dogs</u>	<u>Any</u>	<u>\$500</u>
<u>8.04.170(E)</u>	<u>Knowingly surrendering animal of another without authority</u>	<u>Any</u>	<u>\$500</u>
<u>8.04.180(A)</u>	<u>False/forged/alterd animal-control document</u>	<u>Any</u>	<u>\$500</u>
<u>8.04.180(H)</u>	<u>Knowingly providing materially false ownership/vaccination/identification information</u>	<u>Any</u>	<u>\$500</u>
<u>8.04.180(I)</u>	<u>Unauthorized removal/alteration of vicious-dog warning or identification</u>	<u>Any</u>	<u>\$500</u>
<u>8.04.185</u>	<u>Failure to stop/report collision causing apparent injury to domestic animal</u>	<u>Any</u>	<u>\$250</u>
<u>8.04.195</u>	<u>Violation of regulation of trapping</u>	<u>Any</u>	<u>\$75</u>

Health and Safety

8.04.040	Dog license required	\$75.00
8.04.050	Dog license tag—display	\$75.00
8.04.070	Dog license not transferable	\$75.00
8.04.100	Control and confinement of dogs	\$75.00
8.04.110	Control and confinement of cats	\$75.00
8.04.120	Control of other animals	\$75.00
8.04.130(A)	Disease control—vaccinations	\$75.00
8.04.130(B)	Disease control—proof of vaccination	\$75.00
8.04.130(C)	Disease control—duty to report bites	\$75.00
8.04.130(D)	Disease control—quarantine of animal	\$75.00
8.04.130(E)	Disease control—removal or destruction of animal subject to quarantine	\$75.00
8.04.140(G)	Impoundment— unauthorized removal of impounded animal from animal shelter	\$75.00
8.04.160	Accident involving injury to an animal	\$75.00
8.04.170	Trapping	\$75.00
8.04.180(A)	Prohibitions—stolen or falsified license or document	\$75.00

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8.04.180(B)	Prohibitions— interference with enforcement	\$75.00
8.04.180(C)	Prohibitions— interference with performing duties	\$75.00
8.04.180(D)	Prohibitions—failure to comply with quarantine	\$75.00
8.04.180(E)	Prohibitions—failure to comply with other provision, rule, order or regulation	\$75.00
8.08.010	Creation or maintenance of nuisance prohibited	\$75.00
8.12.010	Violation of air quality standards	\$75.00
8.16.010	Violation of water quality standards	\$75.00
8.16.020	Use of water from roundhouse site.	\$75.00
8.20.030	Transportation of explosives	\$75.00
8.20.040	Storage of explosives	\$75.00
8.20.050	Notice of detonation of explosives	\$75.00
8.20.060	Statutes and regulations incorporated by reference	\$75.00
8.24.010	Materials that may be burned	\$75.00
8.24.020	Restrictions on controlled burns	\$75.00
8.24.040	Notice to fire department required	\$75.00
8.28.020	Prohibited materials	\$75.00
8.28.030	Deposit in receptacle	\$75.00
8.32.040	Transporting litter	\$75.00
8.32.050	Abatement of litter on private property	\$75.00
8.32.060	Distribution of handbills	\$75.00
8.32.070	Posting on public structures prohibited	\$75.00
8.36.020	Deposit—objectionable waste prohibited	\$300.00
8.36.030	Deposit—certain substances prohibited in natural outlet	\$300.00
8.36.040	Private sewage disposal systems	\$300.00
Public Peace, Morals and Welfare		
9.32.010.B.1.	(1) Minor violating curfew;	\$100.00
9.32.010.B.2.	(2) Parent or guardian to knowingly permit minor to violate curfew;	\$100.00
9.32.010.B.3.	(3) Owner, operator or employee of establishment to allow a minor to remain upon the premises while violating curfew.	\$100.00
9.32.020	Possession of tobacco by a minor	\$100.00
Vehicles and Traffic		
10.12.010	Adoption by reference of state statutes and regulations regarding motor vehicle and driving offenses	Corresponding amount in state traffic bail forfeiture schedule
10.16.020	Entering obstructed intersection	\$30.00
10.20.020	Turning violation	\$30.00
10.24.005	Method of parking	\$25.00
10.24.010	Parking outside marked space	\$25.00
10.24.020	Parking beyond time limitation	\$25.00
10.24.025	Parking without required permit	\$25.00
10.24.040	Angle parking required	\$25.00
10.24.050	Loading permit violation	\$25.00
10.24.060	Parking over 24 hours	\$25.00
10.24.070	Parking for prohibited purpose	\$25.00
10.24.080	Parking blocking driveway	\$25.00
10.24.090	Parking on private property without permission	\$25.00
10.24.100	Parking in roadway obstructing traffic	\$25.00
10.24.110	Parking in main-traveled part of highway	\$25.00
10.28.020	Passenger loading zone time limit	\$25.00

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10.28.030	Freight loading zone time limit	\$25.00
10.28.050	Bus and taxicab stands—Use required	\$25.00
10.28.060	Bus and taxicab stands—Unauthorized use	\$25.00
10.32.020	Vehicle use in play street	\$30.00
10.36.010	Bicycle obedience to traffic control devices	\$30.00
10.36.020	Bicycle—Riding on sidewalk	\$30.00
10.36.030	Bicycle—Excessive speed	\$30.00
10.36.040	Bicycle parking	\$20.00
10.38.010	Snowmobile and off-highway vehicle violations other than CMC 10.38.010.A.1.h., A.1.j. and A.5.	First violation: \$100.00; Second violation: \$300.00; Third and subsequent violation: Up to \$1,000.00 but not less than \$300.00
10.38.010.A.1.h.	Snowmobile registration and numbering.	\$50.00
10.38.010.A.1.j.	Snowmobile and off-highway vehicle carrying more than the operator unless designed to carry more than one person.	\$75.00
10.38.010.A.5.	Snowmobile and off-highway vehicle operated on city streets or alleys	\$50.00
10.44.010	Driving through funeral procession	\$30.00
10.44.020	Conduct of funeral procession	\$30.00
10.48.010	Unlawful riding	\$30.00
10.48.020	Driving on sidewalk	\$30.00
10.48.030	Vehicle injurious to street	\$30.00
10.48.040	Transportation of explosives	\$30.00
10.54.020	Abandonment of vehicles	\$500.00
Port and Harbor Facilities		
11.16.080	Failure to report accident to harbormaster.	\$100.00
11.20.010	Failure to restrain dogs on the harbor facilities; failure to remove and dispose of animal feces from the harbor facilities.	\$75.00 (1.28.080)
11.20.020	Persons riding bicycles or any wheeled or tracked vehicle or motorized equipment upon the float facilities.	\$75.00 (1.28.080)
11.20.030	Failure to register vessel with the harbormaster and anchor vessel in designated float areas.	\$75.00 (1.28.080)
11.20.040	Obstructing access to the harbor except as designated as loading and unloading spaces by the harbormaster. Does not include fishing nets.	
11.20.050	Using unapproved float bumpers in the small boat harbor.	\$75.00 (1.28.080)
11.20.060	Operating vessel searchlights or other bright lights in the harbor.	\$75.00 (1.28.080)
11.20.070	Tying auxiliary craft alongside, astern or ahead of a vessel moored in the harbor if such vessel obstructs vessel traffic or causes damage to other vessels.	\$75.00 (1.28.080)
11.20.080	Reckless operation of vessel in harbor.	\$75.00 (1.28.080)
11.20.090	Negligent operation of a vessel or aircraft within the harbor so as to create wake or damage, endanger or cause undue stress to harbor facilities or other vessels or occupants.	\$75.00 (1.28.080)

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11.20.100	Posting without permission of the harbormaster, other than legal notices, on any part of the harbor facilities without approval from the harbormaster.	\$75.00 (1.28.080)
11.20.110	Constructing any improvements within the confines and exterior boundaries of the small boat harbor without filing the proper documentation with the city of Cordova.	\$75.00 (1.28.080)
11.20.120	Engaging in water sports activities within the small boat harbor where the body of a person comes into contact with the water without first filing written application with the harbormaster.	\$75.00 (1.28.080)
11.20.130	Parking unattended vehicles in fire lanes or approach trestles of the small boat harbor.	\$75.00 (1.28.080)
11.20.140	Use of fifty-five gallon drums to block stored vessels in the port of Cordova. All blocking for vessels stored in the port must be approved by the harbormaster.	\$75.00 (1.28.080)
11.24.010	Any person to spill or allow to be spilled any petroleum product within the small boat harbor.	\$50.00 FIRST OFFENSE; \$50- \$300 THEREAFTER (11.24.070)
11.24.020	Failure for vessels to carry on board at all times equipment designed to prevent petroleum products from being pumped or spilled overboard into the waters of the small boat harbor. Open skiffs powered by outboard engines with no inboard machinery are exempted.	\$50.00 FIRST OFFENSE; \$50- \$300 THEREAFTER (11.24.070)
11.24.030	Failure to report petroleum spills in the small boat harbor to the harbormaster or department of public safety.	\$50.00 FIRST OFFENSE; \$50- \$300 THEREAFTER (11.24.070)
Streets, Sidewalks and Public Places		
13.08.030	Failure for owner of property abutting upon a sidewalk to prevent obstructions to the sidewalk area that would be hazardous to persons using the sidewalk area.	\$50.00 (13.08.100)
13.08.040	Failure of owner of property abutting upon a sidewalk(s) to keep sidewalk(s) in such condition to conform with provisions of Section 13.08.010 and to maintain such to prevent hazard to persons using sidewalk areas.	\$50.00 (13.08.100)
13.08.050	Failure for any person occupying or controlling property abutting on any street in the city to keep the sidewalks on or appurtenant to said property clear and free from snow.	\$50.00 (13.08.100)
13.08.080	Construction of coal chutes, or openings for fuel, or freight chutes or doors, in any sidewalk or street without a permit issued by the city manager.	\$50.00 (13.08.100)
13.08.090	Failure to guard all coal chutes, freight chutes or other openings in the sidewalks of the city in an approved manner with strong metal railings, fastened in a secure manner.	\$50.00 (13.08.100)
13.12.010	Failure to obtain permit from city manager prior to excavating or tunnel construction under a public walk, street, alley or other public place in the city.	\$300.00 (13.12.130)
13.12.100	Failure for contractor to complete excavating work on time and excavation remains open past the maximum period allowed.	\$10.00 (residential); \$2.00 per hr (commercial)
13.12.110	Failure to remove all construction debris and dirt from the job site after completion or acceptance.	\$300.00 (13.12.130)

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13.16.020	Obstructions interfering with traffic on sidewalks, parkways, streets and alleys of the city.	\$75.00 (1.28.080)
13.20.010	Failure to obtain a permit from the local building official prior to erecting, constructing, or maintaining any obstruction that projects out or over or on any street, alley or sidewalk in the city.	\$50.00 (13.20.050)
13.20.020	Failure to construct or install any stationary obstruction according to specifications as referenced in 13.12.020.	\$50.00 (13.20.050)
13.20.030	Failure to comply with height and clearance specifications when constructing signs or when placed in front of a building where there is a marquee.	\$50.00 (13.20.050)
13.20.040	Erecting any sign or banner of any kind or character across the streets or alleys of the city unless in accordance with city specifications.	\$50.00 (13.20.050)
Public Services		
14.08.060	Water service—prohibited conduct	\$300.00
14.20.030	Refuse collection required	\$75.00
14.20.060	Refuse collection—obstructions prohibited	\$75.00
14.20.070	Refuse collection—delivery to disposal site or incinerator	\$75.00
14.20.080	Containers—specifications	\$75.00
14.20.090	Containers—Placement	\$75.00
14.20.100	Containers—depositing other than refuse prohibited	\$75.00
14.20.110	Containers—unauthorized use prohibited	\$75.00
14.20.120	Garbage—unauthorized transport prohibited	\$75.00
14.20.130	Garbage—vehicle requirements	\$75.00
14.20.160	Trespassing, removal of material from refuse disposal site	\$75.00
Buildings and Construction		
16.10.015(a & b)	Engaging in business in the city as a building contractor or electrical contractor without having first complied with the appropriate provisions of Alaska Statutes.	\$300.00 (16.10.020)
16.10.020	Adoption of Cordova Building Codes	\$300.00
16.20.204	Failure to obey or comply with the Uniform Mechanical Code, 1985 Edition.	\$300.00 (16.20.204)
16.30.010	Building permit required	\$300.00
16.30.015	Failure to obtain permit from building official for installing electrical equipment within or on any premises.	\$300.00 (16.10.020)
16.30.025(a & b)	Changing plans and specification after they have been approved by the building official.	\$300.00 (16.10.020)
16.30.045	Failure to repair, replace or alter electrical systems deemed to be unsafe by the building official.	\$300.00 (16.10.020)
16.30.050	Violation of a stop-work order.	\$300.00 (16.10.020)
16.30.055	Failure to obtain a new permit when work is recommenced after work has been suspended or abandoned for more than 180 days.	\$300.00 (16.10.020)
16.30.060(B)	Stop work order—Authority	\$300.00
16.80.020	Failure to comply with licensing requirements for operating or maintaining a mobile home park within the city limits.	\$100.00 (16.80.100)
16.80.055	Changing the boundaries or design, or addition of a mobile home or homes to a mobile home park without first obtaining an approved site plan specifying the changes or additions.	\$100.00 (16.80.100)

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16.80.060(a)	Failure to manage a mobile home park according to specifications relating to sanitary facilities, utilities and appliances owned and operated by the park owners. Failure to prevent littering on the premises at all times.	\$100.00 (16.80.100)
16.80.060(b)	Failure for mobile homes, lean-tos and rafted roofs within a mobile home park to meet setback and spacing requirements.	\$100.00 (16.80.100)
16.80.060(c)	Failure for mobile home park to establish and maintain fire apparatus access roadway free of obstructions.	\$100.00 (16.80.100)
16.80.060(d)	Mobile home parks shall be well drained and free from insect breeding places. All fires must be contained. Unattended fires are not permitted.	\$100.00 (16.80.100)
16.80.060(e)	Failure for mobile home parks to supply an adequate supply of drinking water.	\$100.00 (16.80.100)
16.80.060(f)	Failure to connect mobile homes to a private or public sewer system.	\$100.00 (16.80.100)
16.80.060(g)	Failure to connect all wastewater fixtures to the private or public sewer system in an approved manner.	\$100.00 (16.80.100)
16.80.060(h)	Failure for park manager to provide and maintain garbage containers with close-fitting covers in convenient locations and ample numbers.	\$100.00 (16.80.100)
16.80.060(i)	Failure to have electrical hookups installed by a registered electrician and inspected by the city building inspector before a mobile home is hooked up.	\$100.00 (16.80.100)
16.80.060(j)	Failure for mobile home parks to have adequate fire protection.	\$100.00 (16.80.100)
16.80.060(k)	Failure for mobile home parks to provide for adequate snow disposal.	\$100.00 (16.80.100)
16.80.060(l)	Failure for mobile homes to be certified as manufactured mobile homes except for those located in temporary spaces and placed in a mobile home park prior to passage of ordinance 869.	\$100.00 (16.80.100)
16.80.060(m)	All mobile homes placed in a mobile home park after passage of Ordinance 869 must meet setback requirements.	\$100.00 (16.80.100)
16.80.060(n)	Failure to obtain a site development permit prior to placement of a mobile home.	\$100.00 (16.80.100)
16.80.080	Failure to obtain building permit from the city building inspector prior to building lean-tos, rafted roofs and outbuildings.	\$100.00 (16.80.100)
16.80.080(a)	Lean-tos. Failure to comply with safety requirements.	\$100.00 (16.80.100)
16.80.080(b)	Rafted roofs. Failure to comply with height and span requirements.	\$100.00 (16.80.100)
16.80.080(c)	Outbuildings. Failure to meet setback requirements.	\$100.00 (16.80.100)
16.90.020	Operating an automobile trailer camp without first obtaining a license to operate such from the city building inspector. License not to be transferable.	\$100.00 (16.80.100)
16.90.040	Failure on the part of management to maintain the automobile trailer camp in an orderly, safe, and sanitary condition.	\$100.00 POSSIBLE REVOCATION OF LICENSE
16.90.060(a)	Failure for management to maintain automobile trailer camp in good repair and appearance and preventing littering.	\$100.00 (16.90.080A)

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16.90.060(b)	Failure to comply with setback requirements for each trailer space within the trailer camp; failure to comply with roadway requirements within the trailer camp.	\$100.00 (16.90.080A)
16.90.060(c)	Failure to comply with drainage requirements and fires.	\$100.00 (16.90.080A)
16.90.060(d)	Failure to comply with requirements relating to safe drinking water supply.	\$100.00 (16.90.080A)
16.90.060(e)	Failure to comply with requirements relating to sanitary sewers and complying with DEC.	\$100.00 (16.90.080A)
16.90.060(f)	Failure to comply with requirements relating to wastewater disposal.	\$100.00 (16.90.080A)
16.90.060(g)	Failure to comply with requirements for providing and maintaining garbage containers.	\$100.00 (16.90.080A)
16.90.060(h)	Connecting a trailer to the city electric system without first getting it inspected by a building inspector.	\$100.00 (16.90.080A)
16.90.080(b)	Any person to own or maintain any automobile trailer as a dwelling place outside of a licensed trailer camp aside from allowable exceptions.	\$100.00 (16.90.080A)
16.90.080(d)	Permanently affix trailer to the ground so as to prevent ready removal unless a permit to do so has been obtained as required for the construction of a new building.	\$100.00 (16.90.080A)
16.90.080(e)	Occupying a trailer for residence purposes when trailer has been immobilized unless such trailer complies with ordinances relating to single-family dwellings.	\$100.00 (16.90.080A)
Subdivisions		
17.16.010	Failure for subdivider of land to divulge to planning commission the character of development in the subdivision.	\$300.00 (17.24.020)
17.16.020	Streets must meet minimum width requirements.	\$300.00 (17.24.020)
17.16.030(a)	Major highways must conform to widths as designated on the major street plan.	\$300.00 (17.24.020)
17.16.030(b)	Minimum street widths must be 60 feet. When minor streets adjoin unsubdivided property, half street at least 30 feet wide may be dedicated; when subdivided property adjoins a half street, remainder of the street shall be dedicated.	\$300.00 (17.24.020)
17.16.030(c)	Alleys must be constructed at the rear of all business lots and be at least twenty feet wide.	\$300.00 (17.24.020)
17.16.040	Blocks must meet size requirements.	\$300.00 (17.24.020)
17.16.040(c)	Dead-end streets must meet size requirements.	\$300.00 (17.24.020)
17.16.050(a)	All lots must provide satisfactory and desirable building sites.	\$300.00 (17.24.020)
17.16.050(b)	All side lines of lots shall be positioned to provide the best layout of the lot. Lots must not have double frontage.	\$300.00 (17.24.020)
17.16.050(c)	Lot sizes must conform to specifications as designated in the zoning ordinance.	\$300.00 (17.24.020)
17.16.050(d)	Corner lot sizes must meet size requirements.	\$300.00 (17.24.020)
17.16.060	Easements must be provided along side and rear lot lines.	\$300.00 (17.24.020)
17.16.070	Easements must be provided along each side of streams.	\$300.00 (17.24.020)
17.20.020	Streets and public ways to be graded to full width and appropriate grade as designated by cite specifications.	\$300.00 (17.24.020)

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17.20.030	Sidewalks to be constructed according to city specifications.	\$300.00 (17.24.020)
17.20.040	Water supply and fire hydrants to be provided for all subdivisions in accordance with the National Board of Fire Underwriters.	\$300.00 (17.24.020)
17.20.050	Sanitary sewer lines to be provided for all subdivisions according to city specifications.	\$300.00 (17.24.020)
17.20.060	Design and layout of all subdivisions to conform with requirements of Chapter 17.16.	\$300.00 (17.24.020)
17.24.060	Plat approval is required in order to subdivide or lay out land in lots.	\$300.00 (17.24.020)
Zoning		
18.04.030	Building and land use must conform to city specifications.	\$300.00 (18.80.060)
18.04.040	Building and land use prohibited in designated districts.	\$300.00 (18.80.060)
18.04.050	Public uses and structures must conform with city regulations.	\$300.00 (18.80.060)
18.04.060	Private uses of public land and structures must conform with city regulations.	\$300.00 (18.80.060)
18.76.010	Zoning compliance certificate required for:	\$300.00 (18.80.060)
	(a) Occupancy of building erected or structurally altered;	
	(b) Change in use of structure to use of different classification;	
	(c) Use of vacant land;	
	(d) Change in use of land to use of different classification;	
	(e) Change in use of nonconforming use.	
18.76.020	Written application for zoning compliance certificate to be made at time of application for building permit.	\$300.00 (18.80.060)
18.76.030	Written application for zoning compliance certificate to be made to the building official.	\$300.00 (18.80.060)
18.76.060	Falsification of zoning compliance certificate.	\$300.00 (18.80.060)
18.76.070	Applications for building permit must be filed with the building official.	\$300.00 (18.80.060)
18.76.110	Failure to comply with restrictions or conditions required by the planning commission.	\$300.00 (18.80.060)
Environment		
19.04	Failure to comply with the requirements of this Chapter	\$500.00

Section 3. Cordova Municipal Code .08.04.190 “Offenses”, is enacted to read as follows:

CMC	Offense	Maximum Fine
8.04.100(E)(1)	Dog bite or attack on person	\$1,000 maximum
8.04.100(E)(2)	Dog attack causing serious physical injury or death	\$1,000 maximum
8.04.100(E)(9)	Animal creating substantial public-safety threat	\$1,000 maximum
8.04.130(E)	Failure to produce animal for lawful quarantine/testing after order	\$500 maximum
8.04.130(F)	Remove/conceal/transfer/release/destroy quarantined animal	\$1,000 maximum
8.04.135	Material failure of duties following serious bite/attack	\$500 maximum

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8.04.150(C)	Intentional violation of material conditional-release requirement	\$1,000 maximum
8.04.160	Material violation of potentially dangerous-dog or vicious-dog restriction/order	\$1,000 maximum
8.04.180(B)	Interference with animal control officer	\$500 maximum
8.04.180(C)	Unauthorized removal/release of impounded animal	\$1,000 maximum
8.04.180(D)	Conceal/relocate animal to prevent lawful enforcement	\$1,000 maximum
8.04.180(E)	Violation of quarantine/disease-control order	\$1,000 maximum
8.04.180(F)	Violation of final potentially dangerous-dog or vicious-dog order	\$1,000 maximum
8.04.180(J)	Unlawful transfer of vicious dog	\$1,000 maximum

Section 4. Repeal of Inconsistent Provisions.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are repealed to the extent of the conflict. The repeal or amendment of an existing provision does not affect a violation committed, penalty incurred, proceeding commenced, or right accrued before the effective date of this ordinance, except as otherwise required by law.

Section 5. This ordinance shall be effective thirty (30) days after its passage and publication. This ordinance shall be enacted in accordance with Section 2.13 of the Charter of the City of Cordova, Alaska, within ten (10) days after its passage.

1st reading: October 7, 2026

2nd reading and public hearing: October 21, 2026

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 21st DAY OF OCTOBER 2026.




 Kristin Smith, Mayor

ATTEST:


 Susan Bourgeois, CMC, City Clerk

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