

Republic of the Philippines SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD

City of Mandaluyong

ORDINANCE NO. 573, S-2014

ORDINANCE RESTRICTING STRAY ANIMALS FROM ROAMING OR LOITERING AT PUBLIC PLACES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

BE IT ENACTED by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Mandaluyong, Metro Manila in session assembled:

ARTICLE I TITLE AND SCOPE

- SECTION 1. TITLE OF THE ORDINANCE. This Ordinance shall be known as the "ORDINANCE RESTRICTING STRAY ANIMALS ROAMING OR LOITERING AT PUBLIC PLACE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES".
- SECTION 2. PURPOSE AND SCOPE. To revise and adopt a new Ordinance vice Ordinance No. 131, S-1994 and Ordinance No. 256, S-2002 with the end in view to redefine who the impounding authorities are; imposition of stiffer fees and penalties to violators and in so doing it will deter the proliferation of stray animals in public places thus enabling the public to attain a more sanitary and cleaner environment within the jurisdictional domain of the City.

ARTICLE II DEFINITION OF TERMS

As used in this Ordinance, the following terms or words shall mean.

- ANIMALS refers to all domesticated pet animals belonging to or relating to quadruped e.g. dogs, cats, hogs, goats, sheeps, rabbits, horses, cows, etc.;
- 2. DOMESTICATED to accustom to remain much at home, to tame, to reduce from a wild life;
- 3. PET a fondling, a favorite animal and animal fondled and indulged;
- COURT refers to the Metropolitan Trial Court of Mandaluyong City, Metro Manila;
- 5. FINE to set a fine on by judgment of a court or to punish by fine under a "no contest rule" by the impounding authorities without going to court for purposes of litigating the offense alleged/charged by the authorities concerned:
- 6. NO CONTEST RULE means the unquestionable and the voluntary admission of violating the ordinance by the stray animal owners when confronted and or booked by the impounding authorities;
- IMPOUNDING AUTHORITIES those local government officers designated to enforce and implement the Ordinance and their authorized representatives;
- 8. STRAY ANIMAL shall be understood to mean an animal which is loose, unrestrained and confined loitering in public places:

ARTICLE III UNLAWFUL ACTS

SECTION 1. It should be unlawful for owners of quadruped or four legged animals whether domesticated or not to allow it astray and roam around or loitering in public places.

ARTICLE IV IMPOUNDING OF STRAY ANIMALS

- SECTION 1. Any stray animal found and caught by the impounding authorities or their authorized representatives in any public places within the territorial jurisdiction of the City shall be impounded.
- SECTION 2. IMPOSITION OF FEES. There is hereby imposed the following fees for the impounding and/or sale of stray animals including the cost of feeds or foods to wit:

a.	Native dogs (big or small)	P 200.00
b.	Upgraded dogs (big or small)	250.00
C.	Pure breed dogs (big or small)	300.00
d.	Carabao, Horses & Cows	500.00
е.	Other animals	300.00

All collections under this Ordinance shall form part of the funds of the respective Barangays and all collected fees should be properly receipted and paid to the City Treasurer and shall, within the first five (5) days of every month, inform the Barangay Captains concerned about such collection.

SECTION 3. DISPOSITION OF UNCLAIMED/IMPOUNDED STRAY ANIMALS. If there is no one who claims ownership of the animal three (3) days from its impounding, the City Treasurer or her authorized representative shall advertise its sale at public auction in a newspaper of local circulation or through posting of NOTICES OF SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION at the Bulletin Board of all Barangay Halls, and at the entrance/main gate and hallways and Bulletin Boards of this City Hall as it deems practicable and also in some other conspicuous public places for at least three (3) days before the auction sale.

However, the owner may stop the sale at anytime during or before the auction sale by paying the pound fees due and the costs incurred up to that moment to the City Treasurer conducting the same, otherwise, the sale shall proceed. A report of the conduct of the sale shall be made by the City Treasurer to the Sangguniang Panlungsod ng Mandaluyong within five (5) days after said sale. The government employees shall be prohibited from participating in the auction sale.

In any event, however, the City Veterinarian has the option to determine how to dispense/terminate with the life of the unclaimed/unsold impounded stray animals.

ARTICLE V DESIGNATING OF A CITY ANIMAL POUND OR BARANGAY POUNDS

SECTION 1. For purposes of this Ordinance, the City Mayor shall designate a place as the city pound or as many pound areas preferably one each in every Barangay of this City where impounded animals will be kept or deposited pending their disposition.

ARTICLE VI IMPOUNDING AUTHORITIES

SECTION 1. All Barangay Officials of each Barangay of this City, *motu propio* or through the assistance of the Philippine National Police shall cause the impounding of stray animals in their respective Barangays.

The Office of the City Veterinarian is designated as the principal agency tasked to cause the impounding of stray animals in coordination with each Barangay of this City.

- SECTION 2. PENALTY. The owner of the impounded animal shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not less than Three Hundred Pesos (P300.00) but not more than Five Hundred Pesos (P500.00).
- SECTION 3. NO CONTEST PROVISION. Provided, however, that any person, individual or entity who is apprehended or cited for violation of said Ordinance who does not wish to contest the violation and is willing to pay voluntarily the fine imposed upon him/her prior to the filing of formal charges with the proper court shall be allowed to pay said fine with the City Treasurer to avoid being criminally prosecuted within six (6) hours from apprehension, otherwise, the case shall be prosecuted.
- SECTION 4. REPEALING CLAUSE. Ordinance No. 131, S-1994, Ordinance No. 256, S-2002, and all other Ordinances, Resolutions and other issuances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, modified or amended accordingly.
- SECTION 5. EFFECTIVITY. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately.

ENACTED on this 29th day of September, 2014 in the City of Mandaluyong.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING ORDINANCE WAS ENACTED AND APPROVED BY THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF MANDALUYONG IN REGULAR SESSION HELD ON THE DATE AND PLACE FIRST ABOVE GIVEN.

JIMM D. LACEBAL Sanggunian Secretary

APPROVED:

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Vice/Mayor & Presiding Officer

BENJAMIN DC. ABALOS, JR.

Date: OCT 1 5 2014