

**Sierra County
Amendment to the Sierra County 2019-06**

Ordinance No: 25-002

Passed: January 28, 2025

Effective Date: 30 days

SIERRA COUNTY

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ORDINANCE № 25-002

AMENDING ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, the Sierra County Board of County Commissioners met upon notice of a regular meeting, duly published, at the Sierra County Administrative Offices, 1712 North Date Street, Truth or Consequences, New Mexico 87901, on January 28, 2025; and,

RECITALS

A. On November 19th, 2024, the Board of County Commissioners of Sierra County adopted Ordinance 2019-06, An Ordinance Providing for the Seizure and Disposition of Estray, Dangerous, and Vicious Animals, Providing a Penalty, Establishing Severability and an Effective Date; and

B. The County's Sheriff has advised of needed amendments to the Animal Control Ordinance to better protect residents from annoyance and injury by animals, and to preserve the health, promote the prosperity and improve the morals, order, comfort and convenience of the county and its inhabitants; and,

C. It is the intent of the Board of County Commissioners to incorporate the needed revisions into its Animal Control Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDAINED AS FOLLOWS:

1. Incorporation of Recitals. The foregoing recitals are incorporated by reference as a material part of the Ordinance Amendment as if the same were set out completely in the Ordinance Amendment.

2. Amendment. Ordinance 2019-06 shall be amended as set forth in this instrument, and, except as expressly amended by this instrument, shall remain in full force and effect as written.

3. Amendment to Section VII of Ordinance 2019-06. The following sections are added to Section VII of Ordinance 2019-06:

7.3 If an animal shall kill or injure any pet, livestock or poultry, the owner or keeper of that animal shall be liable for all damages that may be sustained thereby, to be recovered by the party so injured before any court having competent jurisdiction. Further, it shall be unlawful to keep an animal after it is known that the animal has killed any pet, livestock or poultry, and it shall be the duty of the owner to kill, or have killed, the animal upon order of the court after a finding that the animal has killed a pet, livestock or poultry.

4. Amendment to Section VII of Ordinance 2019-06. The following section is added to Section IX of Ordinance 2019-06:


8.1 The owner is responsible for all for impoundment fees, veterinary fees, and attendant costs for all animals running at large.

5. Amendment to Section IX of Ordinance 2019-06. The following section is added to Section IX of Ordinance 2019-06:

9.9 The owner is responsible for all for impoundment fees, veterinary fees, and attendant costs for all dangerous or potentially dangerous dogs.

APPROVED, ADOPTED, AND ORDAINED on this 28 day of January, 2025.


Board of County Commissioners of Sierra County



Travis Day, Chairman

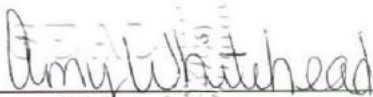


James Paxon, Vice-Chairman



Hank Hopkins (Jan 29, 2025 12:21 MST)
Hank Hopkins, Commissioner

Attest:



Amy Whitehead
Sierra County Clerk






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