

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 3-2-8 OF THE  
ANIMALS CODE OF THE REVISED CODE OF ORDINANCES  
OF THE CITY OF NOKOMIS, ILLINOIS**

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Nokomis, Illinois, that:

The **ANIMALS CODE** of the Revised Code of Ordinances of the City of Nokomis, Illinois, is hereby amended by **inserting the following section in place of the original section 3-2-8(B)**.

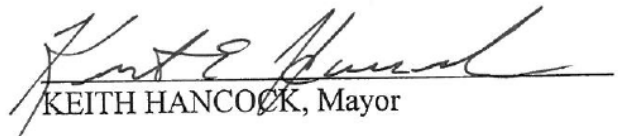
**3-2-8 ANIMALS PROHIBITED FROM RUNNING LOOSE AND IMPOUNDING.**

It is hereby declared to be a nuisance for any animal to run at large at any time within the corporate limits of the City. An animal shall be considered to be running at large when it is not controlled by a leash having a maximum length of not more than **ten (10) feet**, confined in an animal tight cage or enclosure, while confined within a vehicle being driven or parked on a street, or within the property limits of its owner. Such animals may be taken up by the Chief of Police, any police officer, dog catcher, designated pound keeper, or other such official or employee of the City as designated by the Mayor of the City Council, and placed in a pound designated by the City. When animals are apprehended and impounded, the owner, if known, shall be given notice of not less than **five (5) days** by the City Clerk or some other City official. Such notice shall be mailed to the last known address of the owner. An affidavit or testimony of such official who mails such notice shall be prima facie evidence of the receipt of such notice by the owner of such animal. In the case the owner of any such impounded animal desires to make redemption thereof, he may do so on the following conditions:

- (A) He shall present evidence of compliance with Sections 3-2-3 and 3-2-4 of this Article.
- (B) **He shall pay for the boarding of the animal for the period for which it was impounded, together with all other expenses incurred by the city in connection with capturing and impounding the animal.**
- (C) He shall pay an additional **Ten Dollars (\$10.00)** as a penalty for the first offense, **Twenty Dollars (\$20.00)** for the second offense and **Thirty Dollars (\$30.00)** for each subsequent offense. This penalty shall be in addition to other penalties invoked by this Article or imposed by a court.

Any animal not so redeemed by the owner within **five (5) days** from the time it was impounded may be destroyed, offered for adoption, or otherwise disposed of by a licensed veterinarian.

Passed by the City Council and approved by the Mayor of the City of Nokomis, Illinois, this  
11th day of JULY, 2005.

  
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KEITH HANCOCK, Mayor

(CORPORATE SEAL)

ATTEST:

  
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PAM BURDZILAUSKAS, City Clerk

STATE OF ILLINOIS )  
 ) SS  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY )

**CERTIFICATION**

I, PAM BURDZILAUSKAS, certify that I am the duly appointed City Clerk of the City of Nokomis, Montgomery County, Illinois.

I further certify that on JULY 11, 2005 the City Council of such municipality passed and approved Ordinance No. 924 which provided by its terms that it should be published in pamphlet form.

The pamphlet form of Ordinance No. 924, including the Ordinance and a cover sheet thereof, was prepared and posted in the Municipal Complex commencing on JULY 15, 2005, and continuing for at least ten days thereafter. Copies of such Ordinance were also available for public inspection upon request to the City Clerk.

Dated at Nokomis, Illinois, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of JULY, 2005.

  
PAM BURDZILAUSKAS, City Clerk