

1 **BILL NO. 2007-60**

2 **ORDINANCE NO. 5942**

3 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO ANIMAL-DRAWN
4 VEHICLES TO ELIMINATE THE REQUIREMENT THAT VEHICLES BE EQUIPPED WITH
5 SEAT BELTS AND THE REQUIREMENT FOR CERTIFICATION THAT ANIMALS USED IN
THE BUSINESS BE ACCLIMATED TO STREET NOISES, AND TO PROVIDE FOR OTHER
RELATED MATTERS.

6 Proposed by: Bradford R. Jerbic, City Attorney

Summary: Amends the regulations pertaining to
animal-drawn vehicles to eliminate the
requirement that vehicles be equipped with seat
belts and the requirement for certification that
animals used in the business be acclimated to
street noises.

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10 THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS DOES HEREBY ORDAIN
11 AS FOLLOWS:

12 SECTION 1: Title 6, Chapter 44, Section 100, of the Municipal Code of the City of
13 Las Vegas, Nevada, 1983 Edition, is hereby amended to read as follows:

14 **6.44.100:** All animal-drawn vehicles utilized by the licensee in the conduct of his business must
15 comply with the following requirements:

16 (A) Each vehicle will have wheels with spokes that have diameters of no less than
17 one and one-four inches and a rubber covering thick enough to protect the streets from damage and
18 to keep noise to a minimum.

19 (B) Each vehicle will be equipped with brakes, taillights, brake lights and turn
20 signals on the rear of the vehicles.

21 (C) Each vehicle will be equipped with front lights on both sides that will emit light
22 to the front and side that will be visible from a distance of five hundred feet.

23 (D) Each vehicle will be equipped with a slow-moving vehicle sign approved by
24 the State of Nevada and attached to the rear of the vehicle.

25 (E) No vehicle shall be larger in capacity than to transport five passengers,
26 including the driver, [, and shall be equipped with seat belts for all passengers.]

27 (F) Each vehicle must comply with all applicable State statutes or regulations.

28 (G) Each vehicle must be operated by a vehicle driver who has been properly

1 trained in the handling and control of animal-drawn vehicles for a minimum of two weeks.

2 SECTION 2: Title 6, Chapter 44, Section 110, of the Municipal Code of the City of
3 Las Vegas, Nevada, 1983 Edition, is hereby amended to read as follows:

4 **6.44.110:** (A) Prior to the issuance of a license, and every ninety days thereafter, the City
5 Veterinarian or a veterinarian designated by the [Director of] Animal Control Unit shall inspect each
6 animal used in the operation of the licensee's business and certify through the issuance of an Animal
7 Examination Certificate that the animal meets the following minimum requirements:

8 (1) The animal pulling any vehicle with passengers must weigh at least nine
9 hundred pounds and a minimum of fifteen hands high.

10 (2) The animal must have no open sores or wounds, not be lame nor have
11 any other ailment or disease. No animal found to have an ailment or disease shall be used without the
12 approval of the City Veterinarian or a veterinarian designated by the [Director of Animal Control.]
13 Animal Control Unit.

14 (3) The hoofs of the animal must be properly shod and trimmed.

15 (4) The animal must be groomed daily, be in good condition without
16 fungus, dandruff, dirty coat or any evidence of skin disease.

17 (5) The animal must have adequate flesh and muscle tone.

18 [(6) The animal must be acclimated to street noises.]

19 (B) The City Veterinarian or a veterinarian designated by the [Director of] Animal
20 Control Unit shall issue a separate Animal Examination Certificate for each animal inspected,
21 identifying the animal examined and the date of the examination and certifying that the animal meets
22 the general health requirements of this Section.

23 (C) For purposes of this Chapter, each animal shall be identified by age, color, sex
24 and other obvious markings and by means of a photograph.

25 (D) For each Animal Examination Certificate, a fee of thirty dollars shall be charged
26 by the City Veterinarian or a veterinarian designated by the [Director of Animal Control.] Animal
27 Control Unit.

28 SECTION 3: If any section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or

1 phrase in this ordinance or any part thereof is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid or
2 ineffective by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity or
3 effectiveness of the remaining portions of this ordinance or any part thereof. The City Council of the
4 City of Las Vegas hereby declares that it would have passed each section, subsection, subdivision,
5 paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections,
6 subsections, subdivisions, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared unconstitutional,
7 invalid or ineffective.

8 SECTION 4: Whenever in this ordinance any act is prohibited or is made or declared
9 to be unlawful or an offense or a misdemeanor, or whenever in this ordinance the doing of any act is
10 required or the failure to do any act is made or declared to be unlawful or an offense or a
11 misdemeanor, the doing of such prohibited act or the failure to do any such required act shall
12 constitute a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than
13 \$1,000.00 or by imprisonment for a term of not more than six months, or by any combination of such
14 fine and imprisonment. Any day of any violation of this ordinance shall constitute a separate offense.

15 SECTION 5: All ordinances or parts of ordinances or sections, subsections, phrases,
16 sentences, clauses or paragraphs contained in the Municipal Code of the City of Las Vegas, Nevada,
17 1983 Edition, in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

18 PASSED, ADOPTED and APPROVED this 17TH day of OCTOBER, 2007.

19 APPROVED:

20 By 
21 OSCAR B. GOODMAN, Mayor

22 ATTEST:

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24 BEVERLY K. BRIDGES, CMC
City Clerk

25 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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The above and foregoing ordinance was first proposed and read by title to the City Council on the 3rd day of October, 2007, and referred to a committee for recommendation; thereafter the committee reported favorably on said ordinance on the 17th day of October, 2007, which as a regular meeting of said Council; that at said regular meeting, the proposed ordinance was read by title to the City Council as first introduced and adopted by the following vote:

VOTING "AYE": Mayor Goodman and Councilmembers Reese, Brown, Wolfson, Tarkanian, Ross and Barlow

VOTING "NAY": None

EXCUSED: None

ABSTAINED: None

APPROVED:



OSCAR B. GOODMAN, Mayor

ATTEST:



BEVERLY K. BRIDGES, CMO City Clerk