

1 **Bill No. 98-10**

2 Ordinance No. 5055

3 AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO ANIMAL CONTROL; AMENDING TITLE 7, CHAPTER 38,
4 SECTION 10 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS, NEVADA, 1983
5 EDITION, TO REVISE THE PERMIT PROCEDURE AND FEE STRUCTURE REGARDING THE
6 KEEPING AND EXHIBITING OF WILD ANIMALS; PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS
7 PROPERLY RELATING THERETO; AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF
8 ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH.

9 Sponsored By:
10 Mayor Jan Laverty Jones

Summary: Revises the permit procedure and fee
structure regarding the keeping and exhibiting of
wild animals.

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

13 SECTION 1: Title 7, Chapter 38, Section 10 of the Municipal Code of the City of Las
14 Vegas, Nevada, 1983 Edition, is hereby amended to read as follows:

15 **7.38.010:** (A) No wild animal shall be exhibited in public or private or kept anywhere within
16 the City unless and until the owner thereof [shall have] has obtained a wild animal permit from the
17 Animal Regulation Officer.

18 (B) Such wild animal permit shall not be issued for the keeping or exhibiting of a
19 wild animal until an investigation has been made to ascertain what precautions shall be reasonable and
20 necessary to protect the health, safety and general welfare of the public and of the animal.

21 (C) [Any person having as of the date of the adoption of the ordinance codified in
22 this chapter, or thereafter obtaining, owning, exhibiting, harboring, or having the care, custody, or
23 control of any wild animals, shall register such animals with the Animal Regulation Officer and obtain
24 a wild animal permit and shall pay for such permit and inspection the nonrefundable sum of one
25 hundred dollars for a time period as prescribed by the Animal Regulation Officer for each animal;
26 further, if such animals are warm-blooded animals, such animals shall be subject to the rabies
27 provisions of this Title as set forth in Chapter 7.12, subject to the provisions of impoundment, and
28 additionally subject, if impounded, to the requirement of a wild animal permit before release to the
owner thereof. (D)] The Animal Regulation Officer may issue a permit for each wild animal or
reptile that meets the below listed conditions. The application for permit shall have attached thereto

1 a veterinarian's certificate, certifying that said animal is properly vaccinated and possesses no health
2 hazard to itself, other animals, or the general public, for each animal to be covered by the permit.

3 Each permit application shall contain the following information:

- 4 (1) Type of [animal] animal(s) to be covered by the permit;
- 5 (2) Purpose of keeping such animals, with particular emphasis on the
6 knowledge of such person about the animals in question, and the experience of such person in
7 handling the animals in question;
- 8 (3) Period and location for which the permit is requested;
- 9 (4) Description of the quarters in which the animal will be kept and/or
10 exhibited, including plans and specifications, where appropriate;
- 11 (5) Circumstances, if any, under which the animal will be removed from
12 quarters;
- 13 (6) Name and address of applicant and any other person to be placed in
14 charge of the animal; and
- 15 (7) [And any] Any other conditions or restrictions as set forth by the Animal
16 Regulation Officer.

17 [(E)] (D) After a review of all available information, including the permit
18 application, the criteria or standards of recognized societies or groups dealing with the animal in
19 question, and any citizen input, the Animal Regulation Officer may issue a permit for the keeping or
20 exhibiting of such animal if, in his considered judgment, such animal does not constitute a danger or
21 nuisance to the general public.

22 [(F)] (E) The permit may be issued for a period as prescribed by the Animal Regulation
23 Officer upon payment of a one hundred dollar fee. Renewal permits need not be subject to the
24 application and notification procedures outlined in this Section unless the Animal Regulation Officer
25 deems that circumstances involving the animals have changed substantially since the permit was last
26 issued.

27 (G) The City Manager may waive the initial and renewal permit fees required by
28 this Section if the wild animals are principally used for educational purposes. In making this

1 determination, the City Manager will take into account such factors as the non-profit or tax exempt
2 status of the exhibitor or person possessing the wild animal and whether or not an exhibit admission
3 fee exists or a separate admission fee, in addition to a general admission fee, is charged to see a wild
4 animal exhibit.]

5 (E) A permit to keep one or more wild animals, with no exhibition intended, may
6 be issued for the period prescribed by the Animal Regulation Officer upon payment of a twenty-five
7 dollar fee and a favorable inspection by an Animal Control Officer. The permit authorizes the
8 keeping of the animal(s) only, in accordance with the conditions and restrictions imposed thereon,
9 and does not authorize exhibition. A new application and a new fee is required in order to extend
10 the time period or to change or remove any condition or restriction. The quarters for the animals
11 must be adequate to ensure public safety and the safety, health and welfare of the animals.

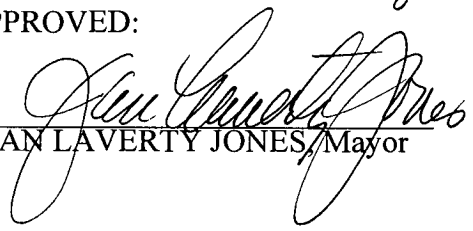
12 (F) A permit to exhibit one or more wild animals may be issued for the period
13 prescribed by the Animal Regulation Officer upon payment of a twenty-five dollar fee and a favorable
14 inspection by an Animal Control Officer. The permit authorizes the keeping and exhibiting of the
15 animal in accordance with this Section and with the conditions and restrictions imposed upon the
16 permit. The twenty-five dollar fee includes an inspection of one location and the animals to be
17 exhibited at that location. If the permittee proposes to change the location or to exhibit additional
18 animals, the Animal Regulation Officer is authorized to require an additional inspection and an
19 additional twenty-five dollar fee. The exhibit site, the quarters for the animals and the exhibition
20 facilities must be adequate to ensure public safety and the safety, health and welfare of the animals.
21 Before and with respect to the period of any exhibition, the permittee must obtain and maintain in
22 effect liability insurance coverage for the exhibition in an amount not less than one million dollars.


23 SECTION 2: If any section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or
24 phrase in this ordinance or any part thereof, is for any reason held to be unconstitutional, or invalid
25 or ineffective by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity or
26 effectiveness of the remaining portions of this ordinance or any part thereof. The City Council of the
27 City of Las Vegas hereby declares that it would have passed each section, subsection, subdivision,
28 paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections,


1 subsections, subdivisions, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared unconstitutional,
2 invalid or ineffective.

3 SECTION 3: All ordinances or parts of ordinances or sections, subsections, phrases,
4 sentences, clauses or paragraphs contained in the Municipal Code of the City of Las Vegas, Nevada,
5 1983 Edition, in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

6 PASSED, ADOPTED and APPROVED this 23rd day of February, 1997.

7 APPROVED:
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9 By 
JAN LAVERTY JONES, Mayor

10 ATTEST:
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12 BARBARA JO RONEMUS, City Clerk

13 APPROVED AS TO FORM:
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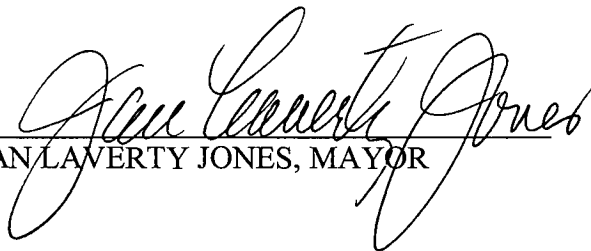
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2 the 26th day of January, 1998 and referred to the following committee composed of
3 Councilmen Brown and Reese for recommendation; thereafter the said committee reported
4 favorably on said ordinance on the 23rd day of February, 1998 which was a regular meeting
5 of said Council; that at said regular meeting, the proposed ordinance was read by title to the
6 City Council as first introduced and adopted by the following vote:

7 VOTING "AYE": Councilmen Adamsen, McDonald, Reese and Brown


8 VOTING "NAY": NONE

9 EXCUSED: Mayor Jones

10 APPROVED:

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 SPONSORED BY Mayor Jan Laverty Jones
 SUMMARY Revises the permit procedure and fee structure regarding the keeping and exhibiting of wild animals At a City Council meeting JANUARY 26, 1998
 BILL NO 98-10 WAS READ BY TITLE AND REFERRED TO RECOMMENDING COMMITTEE
 Councilmen Brown and Reese
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 PUB February 12, 1998
 Las Vegas Review-Journal

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 COUNTY OF CLARK) SS:

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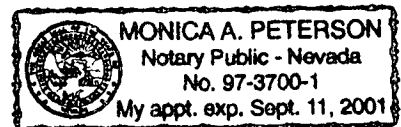
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VOTING "AYE" Councilmen Adamsen, McDonald, Brown, and Reese

VOTING "NAY" NONE

EXCUSED Mayor Jones

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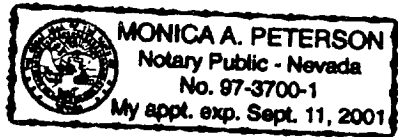
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