

ORDINANCE NO. 201

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE SLAUGHTERING OF ANIMALS AND SANITARY CONDITIONS OF ALL PLACES DISPENSING FOOD AND REFRESHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC; PROVIDING FOR THE INSPECTION OF MEATS AND MEAT PRODUCTS TO BE POSSESSED AND SOLD IN THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS; PROHIBITING THE SALE AND POSSESSION OF UNINSPECTED MEATS FOR HUMAN FOOD; AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF MEAT INSPECTORS; PROHIBITING THE SALE OF MEAT AND MEAT PRODUCTS BY UNLICENSED ESTABLISHMENTS; AND PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF.

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Las Vegas do ordain as follows:

Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, association or corporation to have, keep, sell, or expose for sale for human food, or to have in possession to be used for human food in the City of Las Vegas, the flesh of any cattle, calves, sheep, swine or goats, unless the same shall have been inspected and passed in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance; provided, however, that this ordinance shall be deemed to have been complied with in cases where cattle, calves, sheep, swine or goats are slaughtered and stamped under the supervision of the United States Bureau of Animal Industry in accordance with the regulations relating to the inspection of meat as prescribed by the Department of Agriculture of the United States; provided that this ordinance shall be deemed to have been complied with in cases where cattle, calves, sheep, swine, or goats are slaughtered and stamped in establishments operating under a city, county, or state inspection system meeting all the requirements of this ordinance.

Section 2. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm association or corporation to sell, have, keep or expose for sale, or have in possession in the City of Las Vegas, the flesh of any cattle, calves, sheep, swine, or goats, unless there has been placed thereon, by or under the personal supervision of any Inspector of the United States, or of the City of Las Vegas, or any city, county, or state, as in this ordinance provided, a mark, stamp, or brand showing that the same has been inspected and passed for food purposes, and if inspected by the City of Las Vegas, having thereon enclosed in a hexagonal-shaped outline, the words "L.V.H.D. Insp'd & Pas'd.", together with the official establishment number.

Section 3. No carcass of an animal mentioned in Section 1 hereof, which has not been inspected and passed as herein provided, shall be possessed in the City of Las Vegas for sale or other disposition as human food.

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Las Vegas is hereby empowered to designate one or more official establishments within or adjacent to the City of Las Vegas where such carcasses may be inspected, provided such establishments comply with the sanitary requirements established from time to time by the City Board of Health, either by an inspector appointed under the provisions of this act, or by a regular veterinary inspector acting for the United States under its Meat Inspection Laws.

(After receipt in an official establishment every such animal shall be slaughtered and the carcass inspected and unless found to be free from disease, and otherwise sound, healthful and wholesome and fit for human food, it shall be marked "L.V.H.D. Insp'd & Condemned" and destroyed for food purposes as herein provided in the regulations referred to in Section 1 hereof. If found to be free from disease and otherwise sound, healthful and wholesome and fit for human food, it shall be marked "L.V.H.D. Insp'd & Pas'd.". If inspection takes place in an

official establishment where a regular United States Inspector is maintained, then the rules and regulations of the United States meat inspection laws shall apply.

Section 4. The City Council shall appoint, by majority vote, one or more inspectors to enforce this Ordinance, and shall adopt rules and regulations for its employeess hereunder. The inspectors appointed under the provisions of this act shall be qualified graduate veterinarians.

Section 5. The fees for all carcass inspections by inspectors appointed under the provisions of this ordinance shall be paid to the inspector or inspectors for the City of Las Vegas by the person, firm, or corporation for which such inspection has been furnished as follows:

(1) If the inspection be furnished continuously so as to require all of the time of the inspector, said fee shall be One Hundred and Fifty (\$150.00) dollars per month, during which such inspection shall have been furnished; said inspector shall furnish his own means of transportation and shall report at place of business at 7 o'clock A. M., and shall be there continuously until 4 o'clock P. M.

(2) Fees for inspection to be paid by the owner of the animal shall be as follows: for the carcass of each sheep, goat, swine, or calf, Twenty-five Cents (25¢); for the carcass of each beef, Fifty Cents (50¢). Payment of said fees to be made at the time of inspection.

(3) All fees paid the inspector shall be retained by him as and for his compensation; provided if the fees in any one month amount to more than the sum of One Hundred and Fifty (\$150.00) dollars, the surplus of fees shall be paid to the City Clerk. No portion of said compensation or fees shall be a charge against the City.

Section 6. No carcass inspections shall be made between the hours of 6 P. M. and 6 A. M., or on Sundays and Holidays. In establishments where slaughtering is not carried on continuously the inspector shall be notified of the intent to slaughter at least forty eight hours before his services will be required.

Section 7. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation, except by the inspectors herein provided for, to have in possession, keep, or use any mark, stamp or brand provided for or used for marking, stamping, or branding, as inspected and passed, any article herein required to be so marked, stamped, or branded. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to have in possession, keep, make or use, any mark, stamp or brand having thereon a device or words similar in character or import to the marks, stamps or brands provided or used for marking, stamping or branding such articles, denoting that the same has been inspected and passed.

Section 8. The Board of Commissioners of the City of Las Vegas shall appoint one or more inspectors, whose duty it shall be, and they are hereby empowered, to enter any place where meat or flesh of any animal mentioned in this ordinance, or the products thereof, may be slaughtered, stored, held, kept, exposed or offered for sale for human food, and also every establishment where meat is manufactured into articles of food or preserved, cured, canned or otherwise prepared for food, and inspect the same, and whenever such animal or animals, meat or flesh shall, upon inspection and examination, be found not marked, stamped or branded, showing that the same has been passed for food purposes, as in this Ordinance provided, the said inspectors shall condemn the same as unfit for human food, and shall mark and mutilate the same and make the fact of such condemnation apparent, and shall immediately order the same to be removed and destroyed in the same manner and under the same terms and conditions and

according to the same regulations as provided for the removal and destruction of other condemned foods under the State or United States Pure Food Laws.

Section 9. It shall be the duty of the inspectors in determining what constitutes diseased and unwholesome meats unfit for human consumption, to be guided by the specifications contained in the regulations of the Bureau of Animal Industry of the United States Department of Agriculture governing the inspectors of meats.

Section 10. Each inspector shall be furnished with a numbered official badge, which he shall not allow to leave his possession and which he shall wear in such manner and at such times as the Board of Commissioners of the City of Las Vegas may prescribe. This badge shall be sufficient identification to entitle him to admittance to all regular entrances, and to all parts of any slaughterhouse, and to any place at any time, for the purpose of making an inspection pursuant to this ordinance.

Section 11. Every place where the meat or flesh of any animal mentioned in this ordinance, or the product thereof, may be slaughtered, stored, held, kept, exposed or offered for sale for human food, and also every establishment where meat is manufactured into articles of food or preserved, cured, canned or otherwise prepared for food, shall comply with any and all sanitary requirements now or hereafter established by the City Board of Health; and in addition thereto shall comply with the following schedule of minimum requirements:

1. Sufficient mechanical refrigeration shall be provided to maintain a temperature of forty (40) degrees F. wherever meat or products are stored in quantities of one quarter of a carcass or more.

2. All unsterilized meat and meat products shall be kept in a tightly closed sanitary refrigerated container except while being handled, and no such meat or meat products shall be transported except in a sanitary vehicle adequately protected from dirt and insects. All cases or containers used for displaying meat and meat products shall be thoroughly cleaned at intervals of not more than forty eight (48) hours.

3. All refrigerators where meat and meat products are stored in quantities of one quarter of a carcass or more shall be thoroughly cleaned at intervals of not more than seven (7) days.

4. Floors and all meat handling instruments and equipment of all establishments included in this ordinance shall be thoroughly cleaned at intervals of not more than seven days.

5. Walls, floors and ceilings of all retail meat establishments shall be of such construction as to permit being kept in a sanitary condition.

6. Every individual handling unsterilized meat or meat products intended for human consumption within the City of Las Vegas or for sale to any establishment mentioned in this ordinance, shall be in possession of a certificate, dated and signed by the City Health Officer, showing said individual to be free from clinical symptoms of any infectious, contagious or communicable disease, said certificate to be null and void six months after date of issue. Inspectors appointed under the provisions of this ordinance shall be considered meat handlers in this respect.

7. All individuals handling unsterilized meat or meat products shall wear clean white outer garments while so engaged except in cases where circumstances necessitate the use of clean waterproof garments in slaughterhouses.

Section 12. Each Official Slaughtering Establishment designated by the Board of City Commissioners shall pay to the City Clerk an annual license fee of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00), and each retail establishment shall pay to the City Clerk a monthly inspection fee of One Dollar (\$1.00).

Section 13. It shall be the duty of the Inspectors appointed under this ordinance to make a sanitary inspection of every establishment as provided in Section 12 each calendar month, and to render monthly a written report to the Board of City Commissioners, of all inspections made and of all fees collected and from whom collected.

Section 14. Any person, firm, corporation or association violating any of the provisions of this ordinance, and every inspector who shall wilfully pass as fit, meats which are unfit for human use and consumption, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not more than Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00), or by imprisonment in the city jail for a period of not more than two hundred days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Section 15. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Proposed, read aloud in full, and adopted this 11th day of Sept-, 1933, by the following vote: Commissioners Arnett-Mundy-German-Blum and his Honor, the Mayor, voting aye. Noes None.

Published in the Las Vegas Age a daily newspaper (except Monday), published in the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, once a week for two weeks, to-wit: Sept- 12 and Sept- 19, 1933.

Read the second time and passed this 4th day of October, 1933, by the following vote: Commissioners Arnett-Mundy-German-Blum and his Honor, the Mayor, voting aye. Noes None.

Approved this 4th day of October, 1933.

W. C. Blum
Mayor.

Attest:

Viola Burns
City Clerk.

Affidavit of Publication

STATE OF NEVADA }
County of Clark } ss.

J. W. Squires, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That he is
Managing Editor of the LAS VEGAS AGE, a daily newspaper of
general circulation, printed and published at Las Vegas, in the County of
Clark, State of Nevada, and that the attached

Ordinance No. 201
was published in said newspaper for a period of
two weeks

from September 12 to September 19 inclusive,
being the issues of said newspaper for the following dates, to-wit:

September 12 and 19, 1933

That said newspaper was regularly issued and circulated on each of the
dates above named. That the legal charge for publishing the same
was \$117.00

Signed J. W. Squires

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
twenty second day of September, 1933.

C. D. Breeze
Notary Public in and for Clark County, Nevada

My Commission Expires May 26, 1935.

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Section 15. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed, proposed, read aloud in full, and adopted this 14th day of September, 1933, by the following vote: Commissioners Arnett, Mundy, German, Brown and his Honor, the Mayor, voting aye. Noes None.

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E. W. CRAGIN,
Mayor.

Attest:
VIGLIA BURNS,
City Clerk.

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