

**ORDINANCE NO. 433**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MOORPARK, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTION 6.16.030, LICENSING PERIOD OF CHAPTER 6.16, LICENSING OF DOGS AND CATS OF TITLE 6, ANIMAL REGULATIONS OF THE MOORPARK MUNICIPAL CODE**

WHEREAS, in 1983, the City Council adopted Moorpark Municipal Code Title 6 Animal Regulations; and

WHEREAS, state law proscribes that the term of an animal license may not extend beyond the term of the animal's rabies vaccination; and

WHEREAS, the term of a rabies vaccination may be as long as three years; and

WHEREAS, the term of a City of Moorpark animal license is no longer than two (2) years; and

WHEREAS, it is a priority of the City Council to provide convenient and cost effective service to the public whenever possible; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to update its Animal Regulations Ordinance to permit closer coordination of the term for a rabies vaccination and a City animal license.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOORPARK DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 6.16.030 License Period, of the Moorpark Municipal Code is hereby amended in its entirety to read as shown:

**"6.16.030 Licensing period.**

A. The period of time any license issued pursuant to this chapter is valid must be specified on the license application.

B. The license period specified may be whatever period the city council may adopt by Resolution for that particular license application, provided that the period does not extend beyond the expiration date of the applicable rabies vaccination. A license and corresponding license tag cease to be current when the applicable license period expires."

**SECTION 2.** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, part or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. The City Council declares that it would have adopted this Ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, part or portion thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more section, subsections, sentences, clauses, phrases, parts or portions be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

**SECTION 3.** This Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after its passage and adoption.

**SECTION 4.** The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this ordinance; shall enter the same in the book of original ordinances of said City; shall make a minute of the passage and adoption thereof in the records of the proceedings of the City Council at which the same is passed and adopted; and shall publish notice of adoption in the manner required by law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 20th day of May, 2015.

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Janice S. Parvin, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Maureen Benson, City Clerk