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ORDINANCE NO. 1374

AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, KANSAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE 1372, CHAPTER II, ARTICLE 3, SECTION 2-306 OF THE CITY CODE, ESTABLISHING AN EXCEPTION TO HARBORING OR KEEPING PIT BULL DOGS WHEN THE DOGS ARE DEEMED SERVICE ANIMALS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, KANSAS.

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of Columbus, Kansas, after due consideration of the matter, finds that updated regulations regarding pit bull dogs provide a more effective method for disposition of such animals.

SECTION 1: That Ordinance 1372, Code 2014, Code 1987 and 5-55 through 5-57, codified at Chapter II, Article 3, Section 2-306, shall be amended.

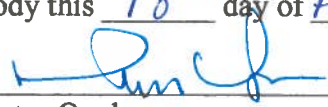
SECTION 2: That Chapter II, Article 3 shall be amended as follows:

Amended Section 2-306. Irrebuttable Presumption. Exception. There shall be an irrebuttable presumption that it is unlawful to keep, harbor or own any pit bull dog or any of those breeds prohibited by section 2-301 of this article within the city limits of Columbus, Kansas, except in the case of dogs which are determined to be service animals benefitting the dogs' owners / keepers. The Columbus Chief of Police shall designate an authorized agent to inquire and investigate any issues that may arise regarding said service animals.

SECTION 3: All ordinances, resolutions or policies or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby expressly repealed insofar as they conflict herewith.

SECTION 4: This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after passage and publication in the official city newspaper.

PASSED and APPROVED by the Governing body this 18th day of April 2016.



Dexter Opela
Mayor

ATTEST:


Cherri Chancellor, City Clerk

