

ORDINANCE NO. 77-4

AN ORDINANCE CONTROLLING THE HARBORING OF DOGS AND CATS:  
REQUIRING VACCINATION AND LICENSING OF SAME AND PROVIDING  
PENALTIES FOR FAILING TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF  
THIS ORDINANCE

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF  
JAMAICA BEACH, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, corporation or other legal business entity to keep, harbor, possess, maintain, or allow to be kept, harbored, possessed or maintained more than three dogs or three cats or a combination of said animals with the total number not exceeding three over three months old, upon or within any premises owned, occupied or under the control of such person, firm, corporation or other legal business entity within the corporate limits of the Village of Jamaica Beach.

SECTION 2. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, corporation, or other legal business entity to own, keep or possess any dog or cat over the age of three months within the corporate limits of the Village of Jamaica Beach, unless said dog or cat is immunized against rabies by the injection of anti-rabies vaccine by a registered graduate veterinarian under the direction of the Director of Health of the Galveston County Health District or the Director of Health of any other municipality or governmental entity that has a Rabies Control Department within its health district.

SECTION 3. It shall be unlawful for the owner, possessor or keeper of any dog or cat to keep such dog or cat within the corporate limits of the Village of Jamaica Beach, Texas, without having a valid dog or cat license issued by the Director of Health of the Galveston County Health District or by the Director of Health of any other municipality or governmental entity, having a Rabies Control Department within its health district,

authorizing the keeping of the same; providing, however, this section shall not apply to the following:

- a) Any dog or cat under the age of three months
- b) Any dog or cat brought into the Village by a person who is a non-resident of the Village, provided this exception shall not be operative as to any dog or cat for a period in excess of seven days.

SECTION 4. Any license tag issued by any governmental entity as hereinabove specified shall be attached to a collar and worn by the dog or cat for which issued at all times, except when the animal is being exhibited in a recognized sporting activity, in which case the license tag shall be made available for inspection upon the demand of the Health Director of the Galveston County Health District or his duly authorized representative.

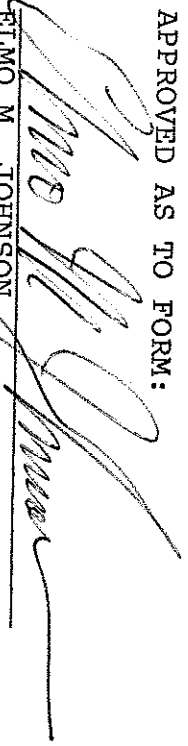
SECTION 5. The Director of Health of the Galveston County Health District, or his authorized representative is hereby empowered to and shall impound any animal found in violation of this ordinance.

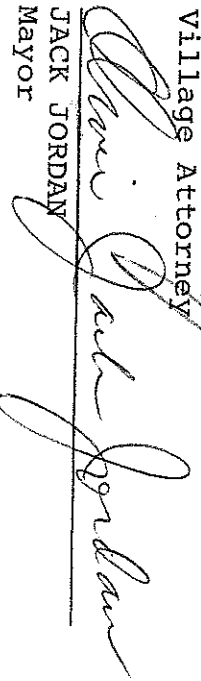
SECTION 6. Any person, firm, corporation or other legal business entity, upon violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined a sum not exceeding TWO HUNDRED AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$200.00).

SECTION 7. That the hereinbefore recited ordinance be enacted as 77-4 of the Ordinances of the Village of Jamaica Beach, Texas.

SECTION 8. That this ordinance shall be and become effective from and after its adoption and publication as required by law.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
ELMO M. JOHNSON  
Village Attorney

  
JACK JORDAN  
Mayor

CERTIFICATION

I, SYLVIA BURCH, Secretary of the Village Council of the Village of Jamaica Beach, Texas, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of an ordinance adopted by the Village Council of the Village of Jamaica Beach, Texas, this 21 day of March, 1977, as the same appears in records of this office, and after the enactment of such ordinance, and full text thereof was published by posting the same for at least ten days between the 22 day of March, 1977, and the 1st day of April, 1977, in three public places in the Village of Jamaica Beach, Texas.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I subscribe my name hereto officially under the corporate seal of the Village of Jamaica Beach, Texas, this 22 day of March, 1977.

Sylvia J. Burch  
SECRETARY OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL  
OF THE VILLAGE OF JAMAICA BEACH,  
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