CITY OF SEGUIN

AN ORDINANCE OF THE SEGUIN CITY COUNCIL AMENDING THE SEGUIN CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 14, ANIMALS, TO MODERNIZE SOME OF THE SECTIONS, TO ADD CONSISTENCY BETWEEN OTHER SECTIONS AND TO ADD PROVISIONS FOR VICIOUS DOGS; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION OF THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND AUTHORIZING CITY STAFF TO PREPARE THIS ORDINANCE FOR SUBMISSION AS A SUPPLEMENT TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES.

WHEREAS, in a review of the ordinances governing keeping animals within the city limits and animal services responsibilities with respect to shelter operations, city staff is recommending a number of mostly minor changes to the ordinances; and

WHEREAS, since dangerous dogs is defined specifically by state law, one of the changes is to create a vicious dog category for dogs that bite other animals; and

WHEREAS, other shelter related changes define a redemption period and consequences for an owner's failure to timely pick up their animal; and

WHEREAS, another change allows shelter management to administer flea medication, dewormer and parvo vaccines to impounded animals resulting in a safer environment for all of the shelter animals.

NOW THEREFORE BE ORDAINED by the City Council of Seguin, Texas:

SECTION ONE. The Seguin Code of Ordinances, Chapter 14, Animals, Article I, In General, Section 14-5, Prohibited Animals is amended as follows (<u>underlining</u> indicates added text, strikethrough indicates deleted text):

- (a) As used in this section, the term "prohibited animal" means any animal not normally born and raised in captivity, including but not limited to the following:
 - (1) Class Reptilia. Family helodermatidea (the venomous lizards) and all Varanidae (monitor); order ophidia, family boidoe (boas, pythons, anaconda); family Hydrophilidae (marine snakes); family Viperidae (rattlesnakes, pit vipers and true vipers); family elapidae (coral snakes, cobras, and mambas); family colubridae, Dispholidus typus (boomslang), cyclagras gigas (water cobra), biogas dendrophilia (mangrove snake) and kirtlandii (twig snake) only; order crocodilian (crocodiles, alligators, and gavials).
 - (2) *Class Aves*. Order falconiforms (such as hawks, eagles, and vultures) and subdivision rapitae (such as ostriches, rheas, cassowaries, and emus) and Roosters.
 - (3) Class Mammalia. Order Carnivora, (the family Felidae) except cats; the family Canidae (such as wolves, dingo's, coyotes and jackals), except dogs; the family Mustelidae (such as

weasels, skunks, martins, mink, badgers); family Procyonidae (raccoon); family Ursidae (such as bears); and order marsupialia (such as kangaroos, opossums); order chiroptera (bats); order edentate (such as sloths, anteaters and armadillos); order Proboscidea (elephants); order primata (such as monkeys, chimpanzees and gorillas); order Rodentia (such as porcupines); and order ungulata (such as antelope, deer, bison and camels); family Suidae, order Artiodactyla, except for domestic pigs falling under the exemption set out in Section 14-162.

(4) Class Amphibia. Poisonous frogs.

The term "prohibited animal" does not include livestock, fowl, poultry, or normal household pets, such as a psittacine bird, canary finch, cockatiel, hamster, guinea pig, gerbil, rabbit, ferret, fish, or small, nonpoisonous reptiles.

- (b) This section shall not apply to the city, veterinary clinics, licensed wildlife rehabilitators, approved zoological parks, performing animal exhibitions, circuses, rodeos, primary and secondary schools, colleges and universities, the county fair, nonprofit organizations, or zoological parks owned and operated by a governmental entity.
- (c) It shall be unlawful to harbor or maintain within the city limits any animal defined as a prohibited animal.
- (d) It shall be unlawful to possess, breed, display or sell, or advertise the exhibition or sale [of] any animal defined as a prohibited animal within the corporate limits of the City of Seguin.

SECTION TWO. The Seguin Code of Ordinances, Chapter 14, Animals, Article I, In General, Section 14-9, Public Nuisance Animals is amended as follows (<u>underlining</u> indicates added text, strikethrough indicates deleted text):

A public nuisance animal is any animal wherein a person who harbors that animal permits, or by insufficient control allows:

- (1) The conditions of the animal, yard, or other enclosure are such that they endanger the health or safety of the animal or surrounding neighbors by:
- a. Accumulation of organic animal wastes which cause foul and offensive odors; or
- b.By being a hazard to any other animal or human being; or
- c.Keeping animal pens, stables, coops, or enclosures in an unsanitary condition;
- d.Repeatedly at large, specifically three or more times per 12-month period; or
- e. Biting other animals or humans; or
- <u>f.</u> permits any animal, fowl or bird owned, kept, or under custody to emit frequent or long-continued noise which disturbs the comfort and repose of any person of normal nervous sensibilities and ordinary tastes, habits and modes of living in the neighborhood thereof.

- (2) If an animal services officer determines that any animal is a nuisance, the officer may issue an order requiring that the owner meet certain remedial requirements to correct the animal's conduct or surrounding conditions.
- (3)Within ten days of receiving an order to remediate an owner may file a written appeal of the correction order to the Seguin Municipal Court stating the reasons for the appeal. The municipal court shall conduct a hearing on the merits of appeal.
- (4)If the remedial order is not appealed, and the condition is not remedied within ten days of the receipt of the remedial order, the offending animals may be seized by animal services.
- (5) The return of animals seized as a nuisance shall require the owner to remedy the nuisance, take a relevant course on animal husbandry and care, and pay all costs of upkeep.

SECTION THREE. The Seguin Code of Ordinances, Chapter 14, Animals, Article II, Administration, Section 14-35, Injured, Sick Animals is amended as follows (<u>underlining</u> indicates added text, strikethrough indicates deleted text):

14-35 Injured, sick and owner surrendered animals

The animal <u>services control</u> officer may <u>euthanize destroy</u> an animal in a humane method if the animal has been <u>owner surrendered</u> to the shelter with the request that the animal be <u>euthanized destroyed</u> or if the animal is so sick or injured that its cure is considered by the animal <u>services control</u> department to be impractical or if death is eminent. In either of such events such <u>destruction euthanization</u> may be done immediately or without notice or any waiting period. <u>Discretion may be given if the animal is deemed transferable to a Rescue Shelter for medical purposes.</u>

SECTION FOUR. The Seguin Code of Ordinances, Chapter 14, Animals, Article II, Administration, is amended by adding a new Section 14-37 as follows (<u>underlining</u> indicates added text, <u>strikethrough</u>-indicates deleted text):

Sec 14-37. Redemption period

Any animal impounded by animal services may be redeemed in accordance with the applicable rules in this Chapter. If does not have a microchip and the owner cannot be contacted or does not appear to redeem the animal within three business days from impoundment, then ownership of the animal transfers to the animal services facility who may place the animal for adoption or take other appropriate action. If the impounded animal has a microchip and the owner can be contacted, then the period of impoundment is extended to ten business days until ownership is transferred to the facility.

SECTION FIVE. The Seguin Code of Ordinances, Chapter 14, Animals, Article III, Dogs and Cats, Division 1, Generally, Section 14-51, Definitions is amended as follows (only listed definitions are changed, other remain as is) (<u>underlining</u> indicates added text, strikethrough-indicates deleted text):

Rescue shelter means a person or group of persons with an established state non-profit corporation registered under the Internal Revenue Code as a 501(c)(3), who hold themselves out

as an animal rescue, accept or solicit for dogs or cates with the intention of finding permanent adoptive homes or providing lifelong care for such dogs or cats, or who use foster homes a the primary means of housing dogs or cats.

Vicious dog means a dog that:

- (1) Any individual dog which, because of its physical nature or vicious propensity, would constitute a danger to domesticated pets or property; or any dog that is possessed of tendencies to attack or injure other domesticated animals;
- (2) A dog that commits an unprovoked attack on another domesticated anaimal that causes bodily injury and occurs in a place other than an enclosure in which the dog was being kept and that was reasonably certain to prevent the dog from leaving the enclosure on its own;
- (3) A dog that makes an unprovoked attack on another domesticated animal that causes bodily injury or death; and which occurs when such animal is at large.
- (4) A dog that has been determined vicious by any court with proper jurisdiction.

SECTION SIX. The Seguin Code of Ordinances, Chapter 14, Animals, Article III, Dogs and Cats, Division 1, Generally, Section 14-60, Impoundment is amended as follows (<u>underlining</u> indicates added text, <u>strikethrough</u> indicates deleted text):

- (a) Animal services officers or other law enforcement officers shall have the power to impound any unrestrained animal or animals which create a public nuisance for the purpose of abating the nuisance.
- (b) Prior to impounding an animal to abate a public nuisance, notice shall be left at the residence of the premises where the unrestrained animal was found or is known to be kept. The notice shall state the kind and type of animal seized, the place where the animal is to be impounded, the hours when it may be reclaimed by the owner, and the length of time it is to be held.
- (c) Redemption of impounded animals.
- (1) Any owner of an animal that has been impounded under this chapter who wishes to have it returned to him shall personally visit the animal services facility where it is impounded. The animal services control officer shall return the animal if the owner can provide sufficient proof of being the animal's owner and if such release will not impair the safety of the public or the animal. The owner of the animal must pay any and all fees assessed in accordance with the city's fee schedule, must agree to abide by all of the requirements of this chapter. It is the responsibility of the owner to visit the shelter before the expiration of the designated holding period to reclaim lost pets.
- (2) Any person whose pet has been impounded for abuse or neglect or has been impounded more than two times for running at large will be required to attend the animal service's responsible owner program before the animal is returned. Completion of the responsible ownership program

may be used as a requirement to have a citation for violation of this chapter dismissed by deferred adjudication.

- (3) If an animal that requires a permit or registration impounded by the animal <u>services</u> control officer for violating this chapter and the owner cannot prove that he is in possession of all required permit(s) or registration(s), the owner must meet all requirements of the required permit(s) or registration(s) and must purchase said permit(s) or registration(s) before the animal may be released from the animal services facility.
- (4) If an animal that requires a rabies vaccination is impounded by the animal control services officer for violating this chapter and the owner cannot prove that the animal has a current rabies vaccination, a citation for failing to vaccinate will be issued. Before reclaiming an animal the owner must pre-pay for the rabies vaccine at any veterinary clinic and provide the receipt to animal services. The owner shall then have five days to provide proof of obtaining a current rabies vaccination to the animal services control officer or else he may shall be cited again for violation of this chapter. Each subsequent day that passes after the five-day period shall be considered a separate offense. For the purposes of this section, a rabies tag alone is not sufficient proof of an animal's current rabies vaccination.
- (5) If an animal is impounded for the second time by an animal services control officer for violating this chapter and has no other form of identification on it and the owner cannot prove that the animal has been previously microchipped, then the owner must purchase a microchip at the city's cost before the animal may be released from the animal services facility. The identification number provided by the microchip, shall be maintained on file at the animal services center or with a nationally recognized registry, for future identification purposes.
- (6) If an animal is impounded for running at large, for a second time, the owner must have the animal neutered as a further requirement for return. The procedures for returning and neutering such animal will be the same as those set forth in Section 6.031 [sic] for adoption of an animal.
- (7) An owner whose animal is impounded for running at large shall remain liable for all fees whether the owner claims the animal or chooses to abandon the animal at the shelter.
- (d) Dogs impounded as a public nuisance. If the director of animal services has determined that a dog is a public nuisance the owner, within ten days of impoundment, must request a hearing in the Seguin Municipal Court in the same manner as a hearing for a dangerous dog.
- (e) The shelter manager or designee, at their discretion, may administer parvo or distemper vaccines, flea treatment or dewormer to any animal that is impounded.
- (f) If an owner does not contact animal services or reclaim their animal within 3 business days of notification of impoundment by animal services then ownership of said animal transfers to animal services.

SECTION SEVEN. The Seguin Code of Ordinances, Chapter 14, Animals, Article III, Dogs and Cats, Division 2, Registration and Licensing, Section 14-74, Term, is amended as follows (<u>underlining</u> indicates added text, <u>strikethrough</u> indicates deleted text):

The dog or cat license shall be valid for a period of <u>no longer than</u> one year <u>to coincide with the rabies vaccination expiration from the date of issuance</u>. <u>A city license is only valid if the animal's rabies vaccine is current</u>.

SECTION EIGHT. The Seguin Code of Ordinances, Chapter 14, Animals, Article III, Dogs and Cats, Division 2, Registration and Licensing, Section 14-81, Licensing of Shelters, is amended as follows (<u>underlining</u> indicates added text, <u>strikethrough</u> indicates deleted text):

- (A.) No person may engage in the operation of a rescue shelter within the Seguin corporate limits without a license obtained from the city.
- (B.) To obtain a license the owner of the premises engaged as a rescue shelter <u>must provide proof</u> that the shelter is a non-profit organization and recognized under Section 501C3 of the Internal Revenue Code and <u>also</u> must fill out an application provided by the Seguin Animal Services and pay the annual fee established in Appendix C of this Code of Ordinances.
- (C.) A rescue shelter is subject to periodic inspection by animal services to ensure that the state and city statutes and codes are followed.

SECTION NINE. The Seguin Code of Ordinances, Chapter 14, Animals, Article III, Dogs and Cats, Division 3, Dangerous Dogs, Section 14-97, Registration of Dangerous Dogs, is amended as follows (<u>underlining</u> indicates added text, <u>strikethrough</u> indicates deleted text):

Sec. 14-97. - Registration of dangerous <u>or vicious</u> dogs.

- (a) No person shall own or harbor a dangerous <u>or vicious</u> dog within the City of Seguin without complying with the registration requirements of this section. An offense under this section is a class C misdemeanor.
- (b) The animal <u>services control</u> department shall annually register a dangerous <u>or vicious</u> dog if the owner presents or provides proof of all of the following requirements of registration, which requirements shall be continuous in nature throughout the period of registration:
 - (1) Liability insurance or financial responsibility in an amount of at least \$100,000.00 covering damages resulting from an attack by the dangerous dog <u>or at least \$25,000.00 in the case of a vicious dog</u>;
 - (2) Current rabies vaccination of the dangerous or vicious dog;
 - (3) A secure enclosure where the dangerous <u>or vicious</u> dog is to be kept; provided that the animal <u>services</u> control department may require an enclosure to have a larger dimensions or require a secure top and/or bottom <u>to prevent escape</u> if the need is demonstrated;
 - (4) A signed statement that the owner will take care of the dangerous <u>or visious</u> dog, providing it with meals ensuring that the enclosure will continue to meet the requirements of this chapter;
 - (5) The payment of an annual dangerous dog or vicious dog registration fee; and
 - (6) A current city license.

- (c) The animal <u>services</u> control department shall provide the owner registering a dangerous <u>or vicious</u> dog with a registration tag. The dangerous <u>or vicious</u> dog registration tag must be attached to the dog's collar and the collar must be maintained on the dog at all times. Dangerous dog <u>and vicious</u> dog registrations are not transferable. Dangerous <u>or vicious</u> dogs and their owners must still comply with the licensing requirements of this article.
- (d) If an owner of a registered dangerous <u>or vicious</u> dog sells or moves the dog to a new address, the owner, not later than the 14th day after the date of the sale or move, shall notify the animal <u>services control</u> officer of the new address where the dangerous <u>or vicious</u> dog is located. On presentation by the current owner of the dangerous <u>or vicious</u> dog's prior registration tag and payment of a fee, the animal <u>services control</u> officer shall issue a new registration tag to be placed on the dog's collar, which must be worn by the dog at all times.
- (e) The owner of a dangerous <u>or vicious</u> dog shall post a sign on his/her premises warning that there is a dangerous dog <u>or vicious</u> dog on the property. This sign shall be visible and capable of being read from the public street or highway. In addition, the owner shall conspicuously display a sign containing a symbol, understandable by small children, warning of the presence of a dangerous dog.
- (f) When a dangerous <u>or vicious</u> dog is taken outside of a secure enclosure, the animal must be securely muzzled in a manner that will not cause injury to the dog nor interfere with its vision or respiration but shall prevent it from biting a person or other animal, and the dog must be restrained by a substantial chain or cable leash having a minimum tensile strength of 1,000 pounds and not to exceed six feet in length.
- (g) An owner of a registered dangerous dog <u>or vicious</u> shall notify the animal <u>services</u> control department of any attacks made by the dangerous dog on other people or animals.

SECTION TEN. The Seguin Code of Ordinances, Chapter 14, Animals, Article III, Dogs and Cats, Division 3, Dangerous Dogs, Section 14-99, Determination of Dangerous Dogs, is amended as follows (<u>underlining</u> indicates added text, <u>strikethrough</u> indicates deleted text):

Sec. 14-99. - Determination of dangerous or vicious dog.

- (a) The animal services department may find and determine a dog to be dangerous <u>or vicious</u> dog upon receipt of an affidavit of complaint signed by one or more individuals with actual knowledge of the event, including an animal services officer, made under oath before an individual authorized by law to take sworn statements, setting forth an act defined under "dangerous dog" <u>or "vicious dog"</u> in <u>section 14-51</u>. The complaint shall set forth the following:
 - (1) The nature and date of the act complained of;
 - (2) The location of the event; and
 - (3) The name and address of the owner of the animal in question; and
 - (4) The description of the animal in question.

(b) Upon receipt of complaint meeting the requirements of this section, the animal services department shall investigate the complaint and determine whether or not the dog is dangerous <u>or vicious</u> under the provisions of this article.

SECTION ELEVEN. The Seguin Code of Ordinances, Chapter 14, Animals, Article III, Dogs and Cats, Division 3, Dangerous Dogs, Section 14-100, Notification and Appeal of Dangerous Dogs Determination is amended as follows (<u>underlining</u> indicates added text, strikethrough indicates deleted text):

Sec. 14-100. - Notification and appeal of dangerous or vicious dog determination.

- (a) Within five working days of determining a dog to be dangerous <u>or vicious</u>, the animal services department will notify, by certified mail return receipt requested, the person owning the dog of its designation as a dangerous dog <u>or vicious dog</u>. Within 15 days of delivery of written notice, which shall be deemed delivered when deposited in the United States mail, the owner of a dog determined dangerous <u>or vicious</u> under this article may appeal the determination by making a written request to the Sequin municipal court or record. Failure to appeal the determination of a dangerous <u>or vicious</u> dog shall result in the animal services department's determination becoming final.
- (b) Upon conclusion of the hearing if the judge affirms the dangerous dog finding, the judge may order that the dangerous dog be humanely euthanized or may require that the owner of the dangerous dog or vicious dog meet one or more of the following conditions:
 - (1) Removal of the dangerous or vicious dog from within the city limits. In which case, the owner must provide, in writing, the destination address of where the animal is to reside and proof that the owner has alerted the agency responsible for animal services in that area to the animal services manager prior to the animal being released from the animal services facility; or
 - (2) Registration and compliance with all of the following requirements, at the owner's expense, before the dog is released from the animal services facility or other state approved quarantine facility:
 - i. Obtaining liability insurance coverage or showing financial responsibility in an amount of at least \$100,000.00250,000.000 to cover damages resulting from an attack by the dangerous dog, or \$25,000.00 for a vicious dog, causing bodily injury to a person or for damages to any person's property resulting from the keeping of such dangerous or vicious dog. A certificate of insurance or other evidence of meeting the above requirements shall be filed with the animal services director;
 - ii. Registering with the City of Seguin by providing the name and address of the owner; the breed, age, sex, color and other identifying marks of the animals; the location where the animal is to be kept if it is not at the address of the owner; and two color photographs that clearly identify the dangerous <u>or vicious</u> dog;
 - iii. Having the dog sterilized;

- iv. Constructing a cage, pen or enclosure for the dangerous <u>or vicious dog animal</u> that has secure sides constructed in a manner to prevent the dog from digging out. In lieu of a separate enclosure, the dangerous <u>or vicious</u> dog may be kept in a yard completely encircled by a six-foot fence constructed in such a manner as to prevent a person or child from being able to reach the dog; and constructed in a manner that the dangerous <u>or vicious</u> dog cannot escape therefrom. In the case of a human bite, the dangerous dog shall be kept in an enclosure that meets state law as set forth in the Texas Health Code;
- v. Not allowing the dog to go outside of its cage, pen, fence, or enclosure unless the animal is under physical restraint. No person shall permit a dangerous <u>or vicious</u> dog to be kept outside of its cage, pen or enclosure on a chain, rope or other type of leash unless a person is in physical control of the chain, rope or leash and the person is of competent strength to control the dog at all times. Dangerous dogs shall not be tethered or otherwise leashed to inanimate objects, such as trees, posts, buildings, etc. All dangerous <u>or vicious</u> dogs outside their cage, pen or enclosure must be securely fitted with a muzzle that will not cause injury to the dog nor interfere with its vision or respiration but shall prevent the animal from biting other animals or human beings;
- vi. Posting signs giving notice of a dangerous dog in the area or on the premises in which such dog is confined. Such signs shall be conspicuously posted at both front and rear property entrances and shall bear letters not less than two inches high, stating:

"DANGEROUS DOG ON PREMISES" or "VICIOUS DOG ON PREMISES"

Such signs shall also display a symbol that is understandable by small children, that warns of the presence of a dangerous dog;

- vii. Implanting a microchip into the dog and registering it for life with the city's animal services division and a recognized national registry; and
- viii. Paying the appropriate dangerous animal permit fee annually;
- (3) The dangerous <u>or vicious</u> dog shall remain impounded, at the owner's expense, until the owner meets all requirements set by the court.
- (c) Upon receipt of a request for appeal, the court shall set a time and place for a hearing, said hearing being set within ten days of the request for appeal.
- (d) A party may appeal the decision of the municipal court or record to the Guadalupe County Court by filing a notice of appeal within ten days of the hearing. The notice of appeal must be accompanied by the posting of an appeal bond in the amount determined by the municipal court.

SECTION TWELVE. The Seguin Code of Ordinances, Chapter 14, Animals, Article III, Dogs and Cats, Division 6, Impoundment, Section 14-141, Criteria; release is amended as follows (<u>underlining</u> indicates added text, <u>strikethrough</u> indicates deleted text):

- (a) Any dog or cat found within the city limits in violation of this article <u>and without a microchip</u> may immediately be impounded and kept for a period of <u>three (3) business days 72 hours</u>, after which time the dog or cat becomes the property of the city. <u>If the dog or cat has a microchip the animal will become property of the city after ten (10 business days.</u> The dog or cat shall then be disposed of or placed for adoption in a suitable home <u>or transferred to a rescue shelter</u>.
- (b) The owner of any dog or cat impounded under this section shall be allowed to take such dog or cat from the place where impounded upon the following conditions:
 - (1)Payment of any impounding and daily boarding fee as established by the city council action and set forth in appendix C to this Code for each day or fractional part thereof which such dog or cat has been impounded.
 - (2) If the dog or cat is not wearing a collar with valid rabies and license tags attached, the owner must present a certificate showing that the dog or cat has been vaccinated within 12 months from that day or <u>pre-pay for rabies vaccine at a veterinary clinic have the dog vaccinated</u> prior to its release from impoundment and must further produce or secure a valid license tag for such dog or cat.
 - (3) Provide the dog or cat with a collar or harness to which the license and rabies tags are attached.

SECTION THIRTEEN. The Seguin Code of Ordinances, Chapter 14, Animals, Article V, Animal Services Advisory Committee, Section 14-253, Composition of the Committee is amended as follows (<u>underlining</u> indicates added text, <u>strikethrough</u> indicates deleted text):

- (a) The committee shall consist of five active members (the "members") appointed by the mayor and approved by vote of the Seguin City Council to fulfill the following composition:
 - (1) A veterinarian licensed to practice in the State of Texas;
 - (2) A City of Seguin municipal official;
 - (3) A person who is employed as the Manager director of the Seguin Animal Services;
 - (4) A person who is a representative from an animal welfare organization; and
 - (5) A citizen who resides within the Seguin city limits.
- (b) Except for the <u>Manager</u> director of the Seguin Animal Services, the term for each member shall be three years. A member's service shall be limited to two consecutive terms, but may be reappointed after sitting out at least three years. If no other veterinarian is willing to serve, the current veterinarian may serve more than two terms. Vacancies shall be filled by the Seguin City Council.
- (c) The voluntary absence of a member from two consecutive regular meetings of the committee or any four regular meetings within one year will result in automatic resignation of the member from the committee. A voluntary absence means an absence other than an excused absence. An excused absence means an absence that results from a medical reason of a member or a relative of

the member. The chair shall make the initial determination as to whether or not an absence i
excused; however, a member may appeal that decision to the committee as a whole.

SECTION FOURTEEN. The Seguin Code of Ordinances, Appendix C, Fee Schedule, Chapter 14, Animals, is amended as follows (<u>underlining</u> indicates added text, strikethrough indicates deleted text):

Article VII. Guard Dogs			
<u>(a)</u>	Permit to coincide with city license	25.00/yr	

SECTION FIFTEEN If any word, phrase, clause, sentence, or paragraph of this ordinance is held to be unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the other provisions of this ordinance will continue in force if they can be given effect without the invalid portion.

SECTION SIXTEEN. All ordinances and resolution or parts of ordinances or resolutions in conflict with this ordinance are repealed.

SECTION SEVENTEEN City staff is authorized to prepare this Ordinance for submission as a supplement to the Seguin Code of Ordinances.

SECTION EIGHTTEEN. This ordinance shall be effective upon ten (10) days following passage on second reading.

PASSED AND APPROVED on first reading on the 15th day of November, 2022.

PASSED AND APPROVED on second reading on the 6th day of December, 2022.

	DONNA DODGEN, Mayor
ATTEST:	
NAOMI MANSKI, City Secretary	