

Introduced by Councilmember _____

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA AMENDING
SUBSECTION 6.18.020(A) AND ADDING NEW SECTIONS
6.18.015 and 6.18.070 TO THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL
CODE REGARDING PUBLIC NUISANCE DOGS

The People of the City of Pasadena do ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. Subsection A of Section 6.18.020 is hereby
amended to read:

"A. As used in this chapter, "public nuisance dog" or
"vicious dog" shall mean any dog that unreasonably annoys humans,
endangers the life or health of other animals or persons, or
substantially interferes with the rights of citizens, other than
their owners or family members, to the enjoyment of life or
property. The term "public nuisance dog" shall mean and include,
but is not limited to, **a dog who exhibits any of the following
types of behavior:**

1. When unprovoked, in a vicious or terrorizing manner,
approaches any person and attempts to attack upon private or
public property, except inside an owner's home or fenced rear
yard to which all gates or other places of general ingress or
egress to the fenced area are posted with a warning sign stating
that a dog is on the premises. The letters on said sign shall be
at least 1 inch in height and said sign shall be visible within
10 feet of the entrances to the fenced area;

2. Has a propensity or disposition to attack unprovoked or
to cause injury to human beings or domestic animals and the owner
of the dog is aware of said propensity or disposition;

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3. Bites, inflicts injury, assaults or otherwise attacks a human being or domestic animal without provocation on public or private property, except inside a home or fenced rear yard to which all gates or other places of general ingress or egress to the fenced area are each posted with a warning sign stating that a dog is on the premises. The letters on said sign shall be at least 1 inch in height and said sign shall be visible within 10 feet of the entrance to the fenced area;

4. Is owned or harbored primarily or in part for the purpose of dog fighting or any dog trained for dog fighting;

5. Is found at large **more than two times**;

6. Damages the property of any other than its owner;

7. Molests or intimidates pedestrians, bicyclists;

8. Chases vehicles, pedestrians, joggers and others on transportation devices;

9. Makes excessive and unprovoked disturbing noises, including, but not limited to, continued and repeated howling, barking, whining, or other utterances causing unreasonable annoyance, disturbance or discomfort to neighbors or others in close proximity to the premises where the animal is kept or harbored;

10. Causes fouling of the air by odor and thereby creates unreasonable annoyance or discomfort to neighbors or others in close proximity to the premises where the dog is kept or harbored;

11. Causes unsanitary conditions in enclosures or surroundings where the dog is kept or harbored;

12. **Is dangerous** to the public health, safety or welfare by virtue of it being maintained with a number and/or types of other dogs and/or other animals; **or,**

13. Has been found by the **code enforcement commission,** after notice to its owner and a hearing, to be a public nuisance dog by virtue of being a menace to the public health, welfare and safety."

SECTION 2. The Pasadena Municipal Code is amended to add new Sections 6.18.015 and 6.18.070 to read:

"6.18.015. Prohibited activities.

It shall be unlawful and a public nuisance for any person to own, harbor or keep a vicious dog."

"6.18.070. Administrative rules and regulations.

The Public Health Department shall promulgate written rules and regulations pertaining to the enforcement and implementation of this chapter in consultation with the city poundmaster."

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SECTION 3. This ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after its publication.

Signed and approved this _____ day of _____
1997.

Chris Holden
Mayor of the City of Pasadena

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing ordinance was adopted by the City Council of the City of Pasadena at its meeting of _____, 1997, by the following vote:

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NOES:

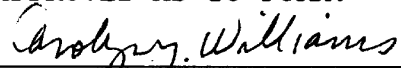
ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Published:

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City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Carolyn Y. Williams
Asst. City Attorney