

ORDINANCE NO. 234

ORDINANCE REPEALING AND REPLACING SECTIONS OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ROLFE, IOWA, 2008"

WHEREAS, the proposed "CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ROLFE, IOWA, 2008," has been carefully reviewed by the mayor and city council and

WHEREAS, as the council has determined that the proposed "CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ROLFE, IOWA, 2008," as filed, should be modified prior to its final adoption by ordinance,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the proposed "CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ROLFE, IOWA, 2008" be approved with the following additions, deletions or corrections:

Chapter 41.16

Rat Harborage. It is unlawful for any person to permit to accumulate on any property any articles or materials that may constitute a rodent harborage. Such articles or materials shall be placed on racks that are elevated not less than 8 inches above the ground and evenly piled or stacked. Exception for stacked wood referenced in code section 51.01(2).

Chapter 55.08

Annoyance or Disturbance. It is unlawful for the owner of a dog to allow or permit such dog to cause serious annoyance or disturbance to any person by frequent and habitual howling, yelping, barking or otherwise, or by running after or chasing persons, bicycles, automobiles or other vehicles. It is unlawful for the owner of a cat or livestock to cause serious annoyance or disturbance.

Chapter 52.01

Mowing of properties required. Any Property within the City, whether vacated or no-vacated, including residential and non-residential districts, is required to be mowed any time the vegetation (grass and/or weeds) reaches a height of more than six inches during the months of May, June, July, August, September and October of each year. The property owner and/or occupant are also jointly and severally responsible for cutting vegetation in the abutting space between the property line and/or lot line and the curb line or edge of the traveled portion of the street right-of-way and one-half of any alleyways abutting the property.

52.03

Violation. Violation of this chapter will be determined by visual observation and measurement. Vegetation exceeding six inches in height shall constitute a violation of this chapter.

52.04

Publication of notice. Annual spring publication of this ordinance in an official newspaper, quarterly newsletter and posted businesses shall serve as first (1st) notice to property owners to have the vegetation cut so that the height conforms to this chapter. Notice shall instruct the property owner that the notice constitutes notice for the mowing season and that further action will be taken by the City to remedy the problem if it occurs again on the same property.

52.06

Additional Violations. Any property owner who violates this chapter will be given on additional notice per summer and the City will be authorized to respond to additional violation without additional written notice being given.

**Passed and approved this 13th day of December, 2021.
Mayor Pro-Tem Pentico declared Ordinance # 234 duly adopted.**