

## NOTICE OF ORDINANCE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2017, at its meeting at 6:00 p.m., in the City Commission Chamber at City Hall, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Annex, 200 East Broadway, Hobbs, New Mexico, the governing body of the City of Hobbs proposes to adopt an ordinance described as follows:

### AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING ANIMALS DURING A CITY SPONSORED SPECIAL EVENT

WHEREAS, the City of Hobbs designates and sponsors certain special events throughout the year for the benefit of its citizens and the public at large; and

WHEREAS, in order to protect the public's health, safety and welfare during these special events, there exists a need to regulate the presence of animals at said events.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF HOBBS, NEW MEXICO, that Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_ be added to Section 6.04, Hobbs Animal Ordinance as follows:

#### 6.04.500 ANIMALS PROHIBITED DURING A CITY SPONSORED SPECIAL EVENT

- A. No person shall cause or allow any animal to enter within a Special Event area during a city sponsored Special Event.
- B. The following provisions shall apply to this section only:
  - 1. "Special Event" is a city sponsored event intended to draw crowds in a specified area.
  - 2. For purposes of this section, a Special Event shall begin at 6:00 a.m. on the first day of the Special Event and end at midnight on the last day of the Special Event.
- C. This section shall not apply to any of the following exceptions:
  - 1. A "Service Animal" as specifically defined under the Service Animal Act, Section 28-11-1 et seq., NMSA 1978, amended;

2. Any animal used by the city or its agents for public safety or law enforcement purposes; and
  3. A Special Event when animals are the focus of the Special Event.
- D. Any person convicted of a violation of this section shall be fined up to \$500.00 for each offense.

A copy of the proposed ordinance in its entirety is available to interested persons during regular business hours in the office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 200 East Broadway, Hobbs, New Mexico. The ordinance is also available for viewing online at [www.hobbsnm.org](http://www.hobbsnm.org).

/s/Jan Fletcher  
Jan Fletcher, City Clerk