

## ORDINANCE 1116

### **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 6.04.090, KETCHUM MUNICIPAL CODE, ENTITLED EXOTIC WILDLIFE, TO PROHIBIT TRAVELING CIRCUSES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Ketchum has determined that traveling circuses are detrimental to animal welfare due to the adverse effects of captivity and transport; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Ketchum has determined that due to severe confinement, lack of free exercise, and the restriction of natural behaviors, animals in circuses suffer, are prone to health, behavioral and psychological problems; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Ketchum has determined that the tricks that exotic and non-domesticated animals are forced to perform require extreme physical coercion techniques, including the restriction of food, the use of elephant hooks (objects used to control and punish elephants), electric shocks, metal bars, whips, and other forms of physical abuse; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Ketchum has determined that the welfare of animals subject to the conditions in traveling circuses, such as constant travel, limited facilities, long periods of restriction of movement, stress, and physical coercion, will inevitably be compromised, which can lead to increased risks to public safety; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Ketchum has determined that animals in traveling circuses pose an additional risk to public safety because such animals have wild instincts and needs and have demonstrated unpredictability; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Ketchum has determined that the use of collapsible, temporary facilities in traveling circuses increases the risk of escaping exotic and non-domesticated animals seriously harming workers and the public; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Ketchum has determined that traveling circuses bring people dangerously close to exotic and non-domesticated animals by displaying animals in inappropriate, uncontrolled areas that are not suited for the exhibition of such animals; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Ketchum has determined that it is not possible to provide exotic and non-domesticated animals with facilities sufficient to maintain the optimum physical and mental health of the animals because of the suffering caused to the animals by the nature of circuses, in which restriction of movement, separation from natural groupings, restriction of food and water, and physical abuse are standard operating procedures; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Ketchum has determined that due to the mobile and transitory nature of traveling circuses, law enforcement authorities cannot properly monitor the conditions of the animals or follow up on previous infractions by traveling circuses; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Ketchum has determined that restricting the use of exotic and non-domesticated animals in circuses is the most cost-effective and efficient way to safeguard both animal welfare and public safety.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KETCHUM, IDAHO:**

**Section 1.** That the existing Title 6, Chapter 4, Subsection C is replaced with the following language and now reads as follows:

No exhibitor may allow for the participation of an exotic or wild animal in a traveling animal act that includes elephants, tigers, lions, other big cats, bears, non-human primates, exotic reptiles, and large aquatic mammals.

This restriction shall not apply to the use of exotic wildlife:

- i. In an exhibition at a non-mobile, permanent institution or facility;
- ii. As part of an outreach program for educational or conservation purposes by a non-profit organization, if the animal used for such purposes is not kept in a mobile housing facility for more than 12 hours a day; and
- iii. When a species has a successful history of non-violent domestication.

Upon application and subject to the aforementioned restrictions, the Police Department may grant a special permit to allow the temporary presence of domesticated exotic species within city limits upon satisfactory assurance to the Ketchum Police Department that public safety would not be jeopardized and that the animals would be treated humanely. Consideration of restraints used for exotic animals shall require special attention. Restraints shall not cause pain or discomfort. Restrained animals shall continue to have general freedom of bodily movement. All tools and instruments of animal handling that resemble bullhooks shall be banned.

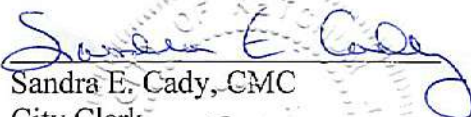
**Section 2.** This Ordinance shall be effective upon its adoption and publication.

**APPROVED** by the Mayor of the City of Ketchum, Idaho this 19<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014.

**APPROVED:**

  
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Nina Jonas  
Mayor

**ATTEST:**

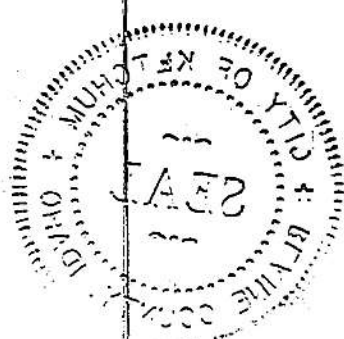
  
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City Clerk

The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions. It emphasizes that every entry should be supported by a valid receipt or invoice. This ensures transparency and allows for easy verification of the data.

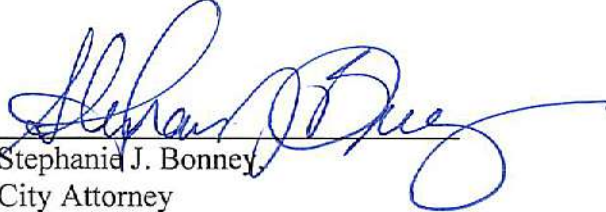
In the second section, the author details the various methods used to collect and analyze the data. This includes both manual and automated processes. The goal is to ensure that the information is both reliable and up-to-date.

The third part of the document focuses on the challenges faced during the data collection process. These include issues such as incomplete records, inconsistent formatting, and the need for regular updates. The author provides several strategies to overcome these obstacles.

Finally, the document concludes with a summary of the findings and a recommendation for future work. It suggests that ongoing monitoring and improvement of the data collection process are essential for long-term success.



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AND CONTENT:



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