



CITY OF ROCKY FORD ORDINANCE NO. 985

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 7-7-510 OF THE CITY OF ROCKY FORD'S MUNICIPAL CODE TO REMOVE REFERENCES TO FOWL, CHICKENS, GEESE AND TURKEY'S

WHEREAS, the City OF Rocky Ford has determined that the regulation of animals within Rocky Ford City limits, should be updated to reflect the evolving needs and practices of its residents; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City of Rocky Ford to remove certain references to specific types of animals from the current ordinance to better align with the City of Rocky Fords zoning regulations and to create more flexibility for residents in keeping animals within the limits of the City of Rocky Ford

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF ROCKY FORD, COLORADO:

Section 1 - Amendment of Section 7-7-510(b)

Sec. 7-7-510(b) is hereby amended to remove any mention of fowl, chickens, geese or turkeys as follows:

- b) **CURRENT:** It is unlawful for any person to keep, maintain, possess or harbor any livestock or fowl, such as, but not limited to horses, mules, donkey, burros, cattle, sheep, goats, swine, chickens, geese, ducks or turkeys, within the limits of the City of Rocky Ford, provided however that this section shall be coordinated with the City of Rocky Fords zoning regulations contained in Chapter 16 of the Rocky Ford municipal code, wherein certain animals and numbers thereof may be permitted within certain zoning districts.
- b) **AMENDED:** It is unlawful for any person to keep, maintain, possess or harbor any livestock such as, but not limited to, horses, mules, donkeys, burros, cattle, sheep, goats or swine within the limits of the City of Rocky Ford; provided however, that this section shall be coordinated with the City of Rocky Fords zoning regulations contained in Chapter 16 of the Rocky Ford municipal code, wherein certain animals, and numbers thereof, may be permitted within certain zoning districts.

Section 2 - Effective Date

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption

Section 3 – Severability

If any part or provision of this ordinance is found to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 4 – Codification

The Rocky Ford City Clerk is directed to update the Rocky Ford municipal code to reflect the amendments made by this ordinance.

PASSED on first reading the 25th day of February, 2025.

ADOPTED by the Rocky Ford City Council on the 11th day of March, 2025.


Duane Gurule, Mayor
City of Rocky Ford

ATTEST: 
Rebecca Korinek, City Clerk

