ORDINANCE NUMBER 2108

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY OF MENA ORDINANCE NO. 865, CONCERNING DOGS, CATS, AND OTHER ANIMALS RUNNING AT LARGE, PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF, DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, on May 16, 1989, the City Council of the City of Mena, Arkansas, adopted Ordinance No. 865, to establish regulations for animals running at large within the City of Mena, Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, Section 17 <u>Time for Redemption</u> of said Ordinance states: all impounded animals shall be redeemed within five (5) days after same was impounded. Any such animal not redeemed within such time may be sold, adopted, disposed, or otherwise destroyed; and

WHEREAS, Section 21 <u>Disposition of Unredeemed Animals</u> of said Ordinance states: all animals impounded by the pound master and reported to City Hall and to the Office of Chief of Police by the pound master shall at the expiration of the five (5) day period if yet unclaimed, be disposed of by and at the discretion of the Chief of Police and the pound master; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Mena, Arkansas, has determined that in order to better serve the citizens of Mena, to comply with local advertising requirements, and for the efficient operation of the Mena Animal Control Department, the time frame for redemption of animals needs to be extended; and

WHEREAS, it was discussed at the August 9, 2005, City Council meeting that Section 17 and Section 21 of Ordinance No. 865 should be amended to allow a fourteen (14) day redemption period for all impounded animals instead of the above stated five (5) days.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MENA, ARKANSAS,

Section 1: That Section 17 <u>Time for Redemption</u> of City of Mena Ordinance No. 865 is hereby amended to read as follows: *All impounded animals shall be redeemed within fourteen (14) days after same was impounded.*

Section 2: That Section 21 <u>Disposition of Unredeemed Animals</u> of City of Mena Ordinance No. 865 is hereby amended to read as follows: all animals impounded by the pound master and reported to City Hall and to the Office of Chief of Police by the pound master shall at the expiration of the fourteen (14) day period if yet unclaimed, be disposed of by and at the discretion of the Chief of Police and the pound master.

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Section 3: That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of that conflict.

Section 4: If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this ordinance.

Section 5: That it is ascertained and declared that because it is necessary for the preservation of public peace, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the City of Mena, Arkansas, and for the efficient operation of the Mena Animal Control Department, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and publication.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of December, 2005.

CITY OF MENA, ARKANSAS

Jeny S. Montgomer

ATTEST:

Regina Walker, City Clerk/Treasurer

ORDINANCE NO. 2107

AN ORDINANCE TO LEVY THE 2005 MILLAGE RATE

WHEREAS, Arkansas statutes enable municipalities to assess millages on real estate and personal property; and

WHEREAS, Arkansas statutes require that municipalities assess theses millages in November of every year; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to assess these millages for the sound and efficient operation of the City of Mena.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MENA, ARKANSAS:

Section 1. That a 2-mill tax be levied on real estate and personal property for 2005.

Section 2. That all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the majority of the Mena City Council this 8^{th} day of November, 2005.

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ATTEST:

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