

City Clerk  
for Dog File

Aug. 7, 1947  
3114 Abbott St

Fred A. Rhades:

Dear Sir:

Altho I'm a dog lover, I have thought the dog ordinance, too, last year both dog and the owner. To be more explicit if I own a dog, then I want to feel sure it isn't in position to annoy anyone, first for the sake of the dog and second in respect of my neighbors.

I can cite you the case of a dog here in Ocean Beach, that lies in front of the music store and eats meat and grains bones, until there's a permanent spot of grease right on the walk. Also he's very cranky with youngsters, and is big enough to kill a man. I think he is a definite menace, and certainly it isn't sanitary to eat his meals on the public side walk. He isn't the only dog in Ocean Beach, running the streets, eating out of garbage cans, only one of many.

Every day, one reads in the papers about children being bitten by some

ill tempered dog - And altho I do like  
dogs, as I said, I do think the wel-  
fare of human beings, especially small  
children comes first. There's so much  
talk of juvenile delinquency, don't  
you think there's an awful lot of  
dog delinquency? And if people really  
love their dogs, and respect their  
neighbors, why shouldn't they take  
close care of them? They should  
know where their dog is anyway.

I am hoping you can straighten  
this matter out, in all fairness to  
both sides -

Yours very truly,  
Mrs. H. J. Finch  
3114 Abbott St.  
San Diego 7, Calif.

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City Manager  
RESIDENCE  
131 ELM STREET  
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R. J. SEWALL, M. D.  
AND  
ASSOCIATES

OFFICE—147 E. ELM ST.  
IF NO ANSWER RING  
RES. 131 ELM ST.



SEWALL APTS.  
COR. 2ND AVE AND ELM ST.  
PHONE FRANKLIN 4561

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City Manager Rhodes:-

Re the dog control problem, wish to add my  
approbation; of your stand.

Dogs are all right out in the back country,  
but down town, and in the closely populated districts, they get to be  
a nuisance, unless properly handled on leash.

As it is now, at least a half dozen mongrel  
dogs make daily calls on our lawn, which we try to keep clean, and well  
mowed, and some have the nerve to call at our front door and leave  
their "card".

My wife has to go out with a shovel to clean  
up the yard, and take it back into our patio in the rear of the lot and  
bury it.

Many more people are up against this same situation  
we are sure.

Yours Sincerely,

*Ralph J. Sewall*  
Ex, Capt, Med Corps, U.S. Army.

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511 30th St.  
San Diego 2, Calif.

San Diego City Council

Gentlemen: Re abatement of dog nuisance

For years I have had to suffer from low bred, selfish, people who have a horde of yelping, barking, whining dogs. Because of a recent operation I have especially suffered from the continuous barking of the dogs who howl and make a disagreeable racket all night and most of the day.

If these people have so little regard for others that they allow their vicious animals to annoy others, then it is time that the rest of the people be protected, by law.

As I live on the edge of "dog-town", where there are more dogs than people, I can understand that those who live in more civilized sections of the City cannot realize how bad the dog infested areas are. It seems a shame that property values must depreciate and people must move from their homes because of the nuisance of the dogs.

Perhaps the Council could zone an isolated location where the dog-lovers could live amidst their howling, stinking, yelping, flea scratching animals, while more civilized people could live in peace and quiet.

Respectfully,

*A. Rodriguez*

1223 12th Ave.

San Diego 2, Calif.

City Council  
San Diego, Calif.

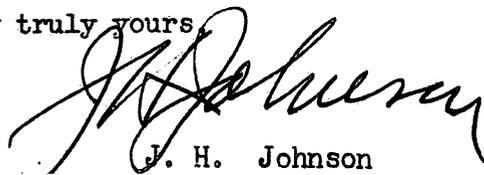
Sirs: Re Dog Ordinance:

It is time to call a spade a spade. If a man were to go along the street and move his bowels on peoples lawns he would be arrested--and rightly ,at once.

Yet, low grade people are permitted to drag their filthy curs along the streets, in the parks and on the lawns, so that they can deposit manure on other peoples or the public's property.

The Council, many years ago abolished by law the old fashioned privy, in fact a man is not even permitted to spit on the street, or smoke in a street car. By what power do those sufferers of dogomania have sufficient influence with the public authorities that they can make open latrines of the streets lawns and parks for their stupid beasts. And they permit their senseless animals to yowl, bark and disturb more decent people most of the night in many neighborhoods.

Very truly yours,



J. H. Johnson

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FRED W. SICK, City Clerk  
By Clark M. Foote, Deputy  
Deputy

## COMMUNICATIONS

FROM

*Residents favouring the  
proposed ordinance  
regulating the keeping  
of dogs.*