

THE  
CHARTER  
AND  
ORDINANCES  
OF THE  
CITY OF RICHMOND, *Va. Ordinances, etc.*

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1. No hog or pig shall be kept on any lot or allowed to go at large within the limits of the city. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall pay a fine of not less than two nor more than twenty dollars; and such hog or pig shall be forfeited.

2. No dog or bitch shall be permitted to go at large in any street, lane or alley in the city, and until the owner or keeper thereof shall have paid to the City Chamberlain one dollar and fifty cents, for the use of the city, for the first dog or bitch, and five dollars for every dog or bitch thereafter. And the owner or keeper thereof shall be required to muzzle every such dog or bitch during the months of May, June, July, August and September of each year. And for any failure to comply with the provisions of this section, the owner of such dog or bitch

from being taken under this ordinance by said officer, shall pay a fine of not less than one nor more than twenty dollars. Every hog, dog or goat taken up under this ordinance shall be removed to a place of deposit to be provided by the Mayor, and any such dog shall be kept until sunset of the day on which he was taken up, unless sooner redeemed. The owner of such dog so taken up, or on his failure until sunset, any other person may redeem such dog by paying to the police officer having such dog in charge, five dollars; but every dog not redeemed shall, under the direction of the Mayor, be conveyed beyond the corporate limits at least five hundred yards, and there put to death and buried; and every hog or goat taken up shall be sold at public auction by a police officer, for the use of the city, at such time and place as the Mayor may direct.

11. Every police officer receiving money for dogs redeemed or for hogs or goats sold, under this ordinance, shall account for the same in the mode prescribed by the seventeenth section of the ordinance concerning the police.

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house, and if through the side of the house, it shall be capped with a cross pipe at least eighteen inches long : and no stove pipe shall project into a street. If any person put up, construct or use in any building in this city, any stove pipe otherwise than according to and in conformity with the foregoing directions and regulations, he shall be fined not less than five nor more than twenty dollars ; and each day that the same shall continue shall be a distinct offence, and punishable as such by a fine of twenty dollars.

10. If any person shall put fire to a chimney to clean it, except in the day time, and whilst the roof of the house to which it is attached is well covered with snow, or whilst it is raining, and the roof thoroughly wet thereby ; or if the chimney of any house shall take fire from not having been properly cleaned, the occupier of any such house shall be fined not less than two nor more than five dollars.

11. If any person shall sell or expose for sale in this city any torpedoes, popcrackers, squibs or other fireworks of any kind whatever, except in packages containing each at least one hundred, or shall without permission in writing from the Mayor, discharge or set off, in any street or alley of the city, any balloon, rocket, torpedo, popcracker, fireworks or any combination of gunpowder, or any other combustible or dangerous material ; or if any person shall, except under the forty-fourth section of the chapter concerning streets, without necessity, fire or discharge in this city any cannon, gun, pistol or other fire-arms of any kind, shall make therein any unusual noise, whereby the inhabitants thereof may be alarmed, or raise or fly a kite in this city ; or if any auctioneer shall use any bell or herald to notify the public of any sale, except of real property, every such person herein offending shall pay a fine of not less than one nor more than twenty dollars.

12. No person, firm or incorporated company shall keep in any house in the city any loaded shell or shot, or any explosive material of any sort, not authorized by ordinance. And any person, firm or incorporated company violating the provisions of

this section shall be fined not less than twenty nor more than one hundred dollars; and each day on which the same is so kept in the city shall be a distinct offence and punishable as such.

13. Every hotel keeper and keeper of a restaurant, lager beer saloon, or other place where ardent spirits, beer, cider or other drinks are sold or given away, shall close the bar where such drinks are sold or given away, every Sunday during the whole day. At all times when such bar shall be open, the license under which the business is conducted shall remain posted in some conspicuous place in the bar room. And any person violating any provision of this section shall be fined not less than twenty nor more than fifty dollars.

14. If any person shall by swimming, bathing, or in any otherwise, indirectly expose his person, or any part thereof, to the public view, or cause any person so to do within this city, or the river adjacent thereto, he shall be fined not less than one nor more than twenty dollars.

15. If after the Council, on the petition of the owners of not less than one-fourth of the ground included in any square in the city, shall have prohibited the erection in such square of any building or of any addition to any building more than ten feet high (unless the outer walls thereof be made of brick and mortar or stone and mortar), it be alleged by an officer of police or any citizen, to the Mayor or any other justice, that any person has erected any building or addition contrary to such prohibition, the said Mayor or justice shall have the said person summoned before him; and upon proof that a building or addition has been erected contrary to such prohibition, shall order him to remove the same. And if it be alleged in like manner to the Mayor or any other justice that any building or wall of any kind hath become dangerous to citizens or to adjoining property by dilapidation or otherwise, he shall in like manner have the owner thereof or his agent summoned before him; and upon proof that the said building or wall, or any part thereof, is dangerous as aforesaid, shall order the said owner or agent to remove or

## TITLE 12.

## ENACTING AND REPEALING STATUTE.

Passed December 13th, 1899.

## CHAPTER LXI.

TO FIX THE TIME FOR THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE FOREGOING ORDINANCES,  
AND TO REPEAL OTHERS.

1. The foregoing ordinances, as they have been hereinbefore printed and corrected, shall be in force from and after this day; and all ordinances and parts of ordinances, of a general nature, in force at the time of passing this ordinance, and not included in the foregoing ordinances, shall be repealed from and after this day, with such limitations and exceptions as are hereinafter expressed.

2. Such repeal shall not affect any act or offence committed or done, or any penalty or forfeiture incurred, or any right established, accrued or accruing, or any prosecution or proceeding pending, at or on this day, except that when any penalty, forfeiture or punishment is mitigated by the provisions of the foregoing ordinances, such provisions may, with the consent of the party affected, be applied to any judgment to be hereafter pronounced thereon.