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MANILA CITY
City Council

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ORDINANCE Numbered 96

ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE REGULATION OF
ANIMALS AND THE SALE OF MEAT IN MANILA CITY.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Manila City,

Section 1. Slaughterhouse only to be used.- It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation in Manila City to slaughter any four-footed animal for food or sale or cause or allow the same to be done, except in the City slaughterhouse; provided, that suckling pigs, kids, lambs, or any animal the weight of which is less than fifteen kilos may be slaughtered outside of the City slaughterhouse for personal use only and not for sale.

Section 2. City Veterinarian's duties.- Subject to the provisions of existing laws, rules and regulations, the city slaughterhouse shall be under the charge of a city veterinarian who shall be under the direct and immediate supervision of the City Health Officer; he shall have entire charge thereof, and of all operations conducted on therein, admission, ante-mortem and post-mortem inspection of animals, and shall enforce such regulations for the slaughterhouse in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance and such other rules and regulations as may be adopted from time to time by the competent authority; shall be responsible for the good order and maintenance of the slaughterhouse, utensils and all other appurtenances belonging thereto and shall be present whenever meat is being weighed.

Section 3. Impure food.- It shall be unlawful for any person to sell or offer for sale the meat of any animal which upon slaughtering is found to be diseased, or of any kind of meat unwholesome or unfit for human consumption.

Any person shall offer for sale or bring into any public or other place where food is sold in Manila any kind of meat intended for human consumption which is in a tainted, decayed, spoiled, diseased, or insanitary state or is unfit for human consumption.

Section 4. Marking of carcasses.- All meat from the slaughterhouse shall be officially marked before it is brought out and such marks shall not be removed until the meat is sold.

Any person shall falsely brand, mark, stencil or stamp any article of meat, or shall remove, alter, deface, mutilate, obliterate, imitate or counterfeit any mark, stencil or label used in conformity with this ordinance.

Section 5. Unlawful slaughter or sale.- It shall be unlawful for any person to kill for food any pig less than five weeks old, or any lamb or kid less than eight weeks old, or to sell or offer for sale the meat from any cattle, sheep, goat, swine, or any other animal except those from animals killed in the city slaughterhouse in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed by the City Veterinarian; Provided, however, That this section shall not apply to cold storage meat imported from foreign countries; Provided further, That meat coming from principal or licensed private abattoirs outside the city shall be charged an extra fee of 20.00 per kilo for its sale in any market or place where food is sold in the city and shall also be accompanied by a certificate issued and signed by the meat inspector of the establishment certifying as to its wholesomeness and fitness for human consumption.

Section 6.- Penalty for violation- any violation of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be punished by a fine of not less than one hundred pesos nor more than two hundred pesos, or by imprisonment not exceeding six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the Court.

Section 7. Effectivity.- This Ordinance shall take effect upon the completion and opening of the city slaughterhouse.

Unanimously passed, October 14, 1940.

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