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## ARTICLE I
## IN GENERAL

### Sec. 14-1. Spitting on streets, etc.

Whoever shall, within the City, spit upon any sidewalk or crossing or upon the floor of the public buildings or upon the stairs or entrances thereto, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. (1975 Code)

### Secs. 14-2 to 14-11. Reserved.

**CROSS REFERENCE:**
**Offenses, Ch. 17.**

## ARTICLE II

## BOARD OF HEALTH

**Sec. 14-12. Established.**

There is hereby constituted and established for the City a Board of Health. (1975 Code)

**Sec. 14-13. Composition.**

The Board of Health shall consist of the Mayor, who shall be the ex officio president of the Board, the city health officer and one other member who shall be a resident of the City. (1975 Code)

**Sec. 14-14. Appointment.**

The Mayor shall appoint some qualified person as health officer for the City and the third member of the Board, both with the advice and approval of the Board of Aldermen. (1975 Code)

**Sec. 14-15. Terms.**

The Mayor shall serve on the Board for a term concurrent with his term of office as mayor, and the city health officer and the third member of the Board of Health shall serve for terms of two (2) years or until their successor is appointed and qualified. (1975 Code)

**Sec. 14-16. Quorum.**

A simple majority of the members of the Board of Health shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. (1975 Code)

**Sec. 14-17. Secretary.**

The Board of Health shall appoint one of its members as secretary for the Board, who shall record the proceedings of the Board in general and perform all other clerical duties prescribed by the Board. (1975 Code)

**Sec. 14-18. Rules and Regulations.**

The Board of Health shall have the power to adopt rules and regulations for its government, not in conflict with the provisions of this Code or ordinances of the City. (1975 Code)

**Sec. 14-19. Right of Entry.**

The Board of Health shall have the power to enter into and examine any and all buildings, lots and other places of every kind and description which, in the opinion of the Board, may be dangerous to the public health. (1975 Code)

**Sec. 14-20. Control of Nuisance.**

The Board of Health shall have the power to declare and abate nuisances found within the City in the manner provided by this Code, State law or City ordinances, rules and regulations. (1975 Code)

**Secs. 14-21 to 14-30. Reserved.**

## ARTICLE III
## NUISANCES AND OTHER OFFENSIVE CONDITIONS

### Sec. 14-31. Prohibited.

It shall be unlawful for any person to create, cause, permit a nuisance to exist or be maintained within the City. (1975 Code)

### Sec. 14-32. Enumeration.

The following are hereby declared, defined and deemed to be nuisances for the purposes of this Article; provided however, that the following shall not be deemed to be exclusive.

(a) All substances which emit or cause foul, obnoxious, unhealthful or disagreeable odor or effluvia, in the neighborhood where they exist.

(b) All carcasses of animals remaining exposed for twelve (12) hours after death.

(c) Any growth of weeds, grasses or bushes to a greater height than twelve (12) inches; provided that this shall not apply to planted and cultivated flowers, shrubbery or other landscaping.

(d) All slop, foul or dirty water, filth, refuse or offal, discharged in or upon any street, avenue, sidewalk, alley, park, public square or private enclosure, or allowed to accumulate there, or in a pond or pool.

(e) All articles or things whatsoever, caused, kept, maintained or permitted by any person to the injury, inconvenience, danger, detriment or annoyance of the public health, safety or welfare.

(f) The keeping or allowing to remain on any premises any trees, shrubs or other vegetation infected with fungus or other diseases that will or might spread to other non-infected trees, shrubs or other vegetation.

(g) All buildings or structures which through neglect or otherwise the structure of which has caused said building to become dangerous or detrimental to the public health, safety or welfare of the inhabitants of the City. (1975 Code)

(h) The keeping of any animal that, by causing frequent or long continued noise, shall disturb the comfort or repose of any persons in the vicinity is hereby declared unlawful.

No person shall own, keep or harbor any dog which, by loud, continual or frequent barking, howling or yelping, shall annoy or disturb any neighborhood or any

person, or which habitually barks at or chases pedestrians, or vehicles, whatsoever, to the annoyance of such pedestrian or drivers of such vehicles; provided, however that this section shall not apply to the Iberia Police Department dog pound location behind Iberia City Hall. (Ord. 2006-4)

**Sec. 14-33. Notice to Abate.**

Whenever it shall come to the attention of the Building Inspector, Police Chief, Fire Chief or Health Officer that there exists on any lot or parcel of land in the City any of the conditions enumerated in this Article, he shall forthwith give the owner thereof notice, served upon such owner by a police officer of the City, or by mailing such notice to his last known address, that such conditions exist and that he shall have seven (7) days from the date of such service in which to remedy the same or the City shall cause the same to be remedied. (1975 Code)

**Sec. 14-34. Abatement by City.**

If the person upon whom notice is served to abate any nuisance under the provisions of this Article fails, refuses or neglects to remedy such nuisance within the time allowed, the Building Inspector, Police Chief, Fire Chief or Health Officer shall cause such condition to be remedied. (1975 Code)

**Sec. 14-35. Declaration of Lien.**

The actual costs of the abatement of any nuisance by the City under the provisions of this Article shall become a lien upon the property from which such nuisance was abated. The amount of such lien shall be added to the tax roll and collected as unpaid taxes.

**Sec. 14-36. Power of Quarantine.**

The Board of Health is hereby authorized and empowered to declare and establish quarantine, when in its judgment, such action is necessary to prevent the introduction and spread of infectious diseases, within the limits of this City and to enforce the same.

(b) The Chief of Police, upon notification from the Board of Health, shall post or cause to be posted, on or near the building or place in which such disease exists, in a conspicuous place, a proper notice of existence of such disease, which said notice shall be kept posted until such danger of infection or contagion therefrom ceases. (1975 Code)

**Sec. 14-37. Penalty for Violation of Chapter.**

Every such person who shall violate any of the provisions of this Chapter of Ordinances of the City of Iberia or fails to perform any of the requirements herein contained shall be fined the sum of not less than $50.00, nor more than $500.00. (Ord. 2006-4)

**Secs. 14-38 to 14-42. Reserved.**