

## ARCHIVES RECORD

RG331

Norfolk, Nebraska

Records: 1881-1966

Norfolk, Madison County, Nebraska: Municipal Records

No. of Items: 23 volumes on rolls of microfilm

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| SERIES TWO | ORDINANCES, 1882-1960  |
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## SERIES THREE

POLICE COURT DOCKETS, 1886-1917

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Reel 4        Series 1, Proceedings of the City Council  
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Vol. 3, Ordinance #600, Mar. 1, 1920

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Municipal Records  
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Series 3

Roll 1            Police Court Docket,  
777 shots        Volume 1, page 1, July 22, 1886  
1554 pges.       thru  
#20,119          Police Court Docket,  
                  Volume 3, April 23, 1908

NOTE:

V.2 begins frame #252

V.3 begins frame #540

NOTE:

The Index for V.1, is at the End of the Vol.  
page 470

Roll 2            Police Court Docket,  
272 shots        Volume 4, Index, page 1, Aug.25,1914  
544 pges.        thru  
#20,120          Police Court Docket  
                  Volume 4, complete, December 22, 1917

NOTE:

Volume 4, page 69 was missed, Retake spliced at End of Reel.

NOTE:

The ending date on the Microfilm Operator's Certificate  
is incorrect. It should be Dec.22,1917, Certificate  
shows Dec.12, 1917.

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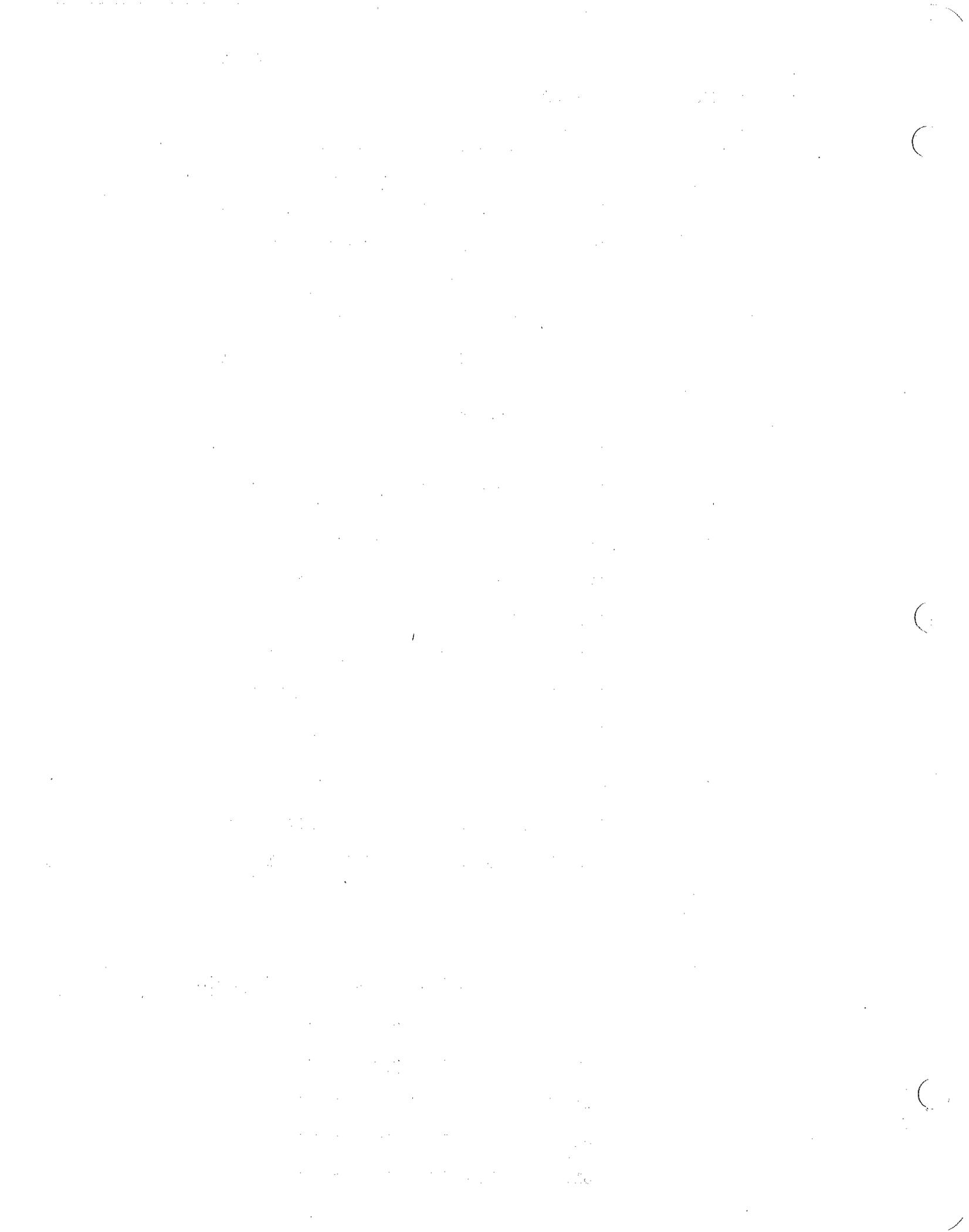
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