

## § 90.07 DOG AND CAT LICENSES.

(A) *License required.* No person shall own, harbor or have custody of any dog or cat over the age of six months without obtaining a license for the dog or cat.

(B) *Application.* Every application for a dog or cat spayed or neutered license shall be made to the Police Department and shall state the name and address of the owner, and the sex, breed, age, color and marking of the dog or cat. Each application shall be accompanied by payment in full of the license fee. No application for a license shall be accepted without proof of current rabies vaccination for each dog or cat to be licensed. Further, the failure of any dog or cat owner, whether the animal is licensed or unlicensed, to keep any animal vaccinated against rabies shall be a petty misdemeanor. In addition to any court fines, owners may post a deposit of an amount set by City Council from time to time by resolution for the animals which shall be refunded upon proof of vaccination.

(C) *Term and fee.* The annual fee for a dog or cat license shall be subject to the city schedule of charges and fees. Each license shall expire on January 1 of each year. The fee shall not be prorated for a partial year.

(D) *License tag.* The Police Department shall issue a numbered license bearing the description of the dog or cat and the owner's name and address, and a metal or plastic tag bearing the license number. The tag shall be fastened to the dog or cat's collar, and shall be worn by the dog or cat at all times. The Clerk-Treasurer shall maintain a record showing the owner's name and address, description of the dog or cat and the license number for each license issued. No person except the owner or his or her agent shall remove a license tag from a dog or cat collar or remove from a dog or cat any collar with a license tag attached. No person shall keep, harbor or have custody of a dog or cat bearing a fictitious, altered or invalid license tag, or a license tag not issued for the dog or cat wearing it. No person shall transfer a tag from one dog or cat to another.

(E) *Owner responsibility.* The owner of any licensed dog or cat, as recorded by the Clerk-Treasurer, shall be responsible for all fees and charges accruing by reason of owning, harboring or having custody of any dog or cat in the city. If the ownership of a dog or cat changes, it is the responsibility of the recorded licensee to notify the Clerk-Treasurer of the change.

(Prior Code, § 501.05) (Ord. 02-05, passed 4-4-2005) Penalty, see § 10.99