

ORDINANCE NO. 2869 76 - 690

AN ORDINANCE relating to pet license fees, establishing reduced rates for County residents sixty-five years of age or older, amending Ordinance 1396, Section 1 and King County Code Section 11.04.030.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

Ordinance 1396, Section 1, and King County Code Section 11.04.030(b) is hereby amended as follows:

11.04.030 DOG AND CAT LICENSES REQUIRED.

(a) LICENSE REQUIREMENTS. All dogs and cats harbored, kept or maintained in King County over four months of age shall be licensed and registered annually; provided however, that dogs kept in kennels need not be licensed as provided in Section 11.04.040.

(b) FEES. Dog and cat licenses shall be issued by the animal control authority upon application and payment of an annual license fee made payable to the county treasurer in the sum of eight dollars for dogs, provided that when proof is submitted that such dog has been neutered or spayed the fee shall be four dollars, and four dollars for cats, provided that when proof is submitted that such cat has been neutered or spayed, the fee shall be two dollars. The effective date for such license fees shall be January 1, 1974. King County residents sixty-five years of age or older shall be entitled to purchase a special permanent license for the lifetime of cats or dogs for which they are the registered owners when said animals are maintained at said owner's registered address. Eligible residents may purchase the special permanent animal licenses at a cost of eight dollars per licensed dog and four dollars per licensed cat and they shall not be required to annually purchase a new license for the lifetime of such licensed animals, provided that, no person shall be granted more than three permanent animal licenses for any combination of three cats and dogs for which they are the registered owner; provided further that, the animal control authority is authorized to enact the necessary rules and procedures to efficiently implement the program The effective date for such licenses shall be April 1, 1977. The annual license fee shall become due and payable on April 1st of

1 each year. Applications for a dog or cat license shall be on
2 forms provided by the animal control authority. No proration of a
3 license fee for a portion of the calendar year shall be made. All
4 license tags issued herein shall be securely affixed to a substan-
5 tial collar, harness or other means which shall be worn by the dog
6 at all times. As an alternative to a license tag an animal may be
7 identified as licensed by being tattooed on its right ear or on
8 its inside right thigh or groin with a license number approved or
9 issued by the animal control authority.

10 (c) PENALTY. In addition to paying the appropriate license
11 fee a late penalty in the sum of ten dollars shall be charged on
12 all applications received after April 30th and the sum of twenty-
13 five dollars shall be charged on all applications received after
14 June 30th of each year. It shall be a rebuttable presumption that
15 an animal has not been licensed unless a proof of purchase, within
16 the preceding thirty days, is presented to the licensing officer
17 or agent, the animal's owner has moved into the county within the
18 preceding thirty days, the animal had been under the age which
19 requires a license, or other proof deemed acceptable in the
20 department's rules and regulations.

21 (d) FEES COLLECTED. All fees and fines collected under this
22 chapter shall be deposited in the county current expense fund.

23 (e) NONAPPLICABILITY. The provisions of this section shall
24 not apply to dogs or cats in the custody of a veterinarian or
25 animal shelter or whose owners are nonresidents temporarily within
26 the county for a period not exceeding thirty days. The fees
27 contained herein shall become effective beginning with the 1975
28 license year, except for those relating to persons age sixty-five
29 and over which shall become effective with the 1977 license year.
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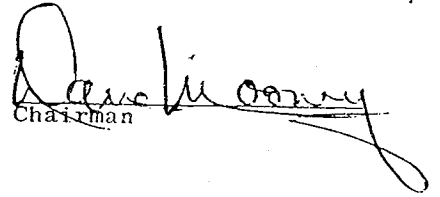
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(Ord. 2158 Sec. 1, 1974; Ord. 1691 Sec. 1, 1973; Ord. 1396 Art. I, Sec. 1, 1972)

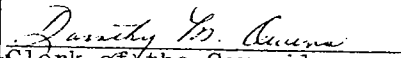
INTRODUCED AND READ for the first time this 9th day of August, 1976.

PASSED this 7th day of September, 1976.

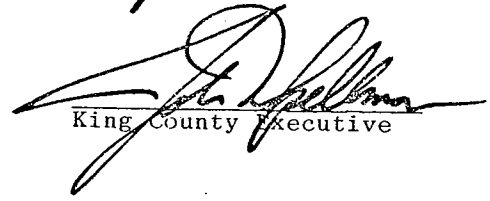
KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON.


Chairman

ATTEST:


Deputy Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this 16th day of September, 1976.


King County Executive