

On joint motion of all Councilmembers present the following ordinance was offered:

SUMMARY NO. 23126 ORDINANCE NO. 23913

An ordinance amending Chapter 7, Animals and Fowl, to reduce the rabies fee for unaltered animals in conjunction with the annual rabies vaccination campaign, and to provide for other related matters. (Parish-wide)

WHEREAS, the Jefferson Parish Animal Shelter is directed to conduct, as a public health service, an annual rabies vaccination campaign *per Sec. 7-74 of the Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances*; and

WHEREAS, the Rabies Campaign is a joint effort of the Jefferson Parish Animal Shelter Department, the Southeast Louisiana Veterinary Association, and the Jefferson Parish School Board; and

WHEREAS, Parish and state laws require that dogs and cats be vaccinated against rabies, a virus that attacks the central nervous system. Rabies vaccinations not only protect pets from catching the disease from a wild animal such as a raccoon or bat, but they also protect people by setting up a vaccination barrier between wildlife rabies and the human population; and

WHEREAS, the rabies vaccination fee and license is fifteen dollars (\$15.00) for altered animals and twenty dollars (\$20.00) for unaltered animals *per Sec. 7-30(c)(1)(a) and (b) of the Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances*; and

WHEREAS, Jefferson Parish desires to lower the fee to fifteen dollars (\$15.00) for both altered and unaltered animals in conjunction with this event.

NOW THEREFORE, THE JEFFERSON PARISH COUNCIL HEREBY ORDAINS THAT:

SECTION 1: Sec. 7-30(c) is hereby amended and re-ordained as follows:

Sec. 7-30. - Fees and charges.

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(c) *Other shelter charges:* Animal shelter charges are as follows:

- (1) a. Rabies vaccination fee and license for altered animals 15.00
Rabies vaccination fee and license for unaltered animals 20.00
- b. Rabies vaccination fee and license for registered animal rescue group 5.00
- (2) Booster vaccinations for puppies and kittens adopted from the shelter 20.00
- (3) Adoption fees:
 - a. Dogs, cats, puppies and kittens 50.00
Fee does not include a one hundred dollar (\$100.00) sterilization deposit if the shelter veterinarian determines that the animal is unfit at the time to undergo surgery. The deposit will be refunded after the shelter veterinarian performs the surgery, or the private veterinarian certifies that he has performed the surgery.
 - b. Reserved.
 - c. Goats and pigs 25.00
 - d. Equine species, plus direct costs 10.00
 - e. Other small animals 25.00
- (4) Rabies observation 75.00
 - a. Boarding fee per day or any part of a day 10.00
 - b. DA2PL and Bordatella vaccinations (dog) 20.00
 - c. FVRCP and Bordatella vaccinations (cat) 20.00
 - d. Rabies vaccination and license 7.00
 - e. Microchip 10.00
- (5) Veterinarians shall issue a Jefferson Parish license for each dog or cat vaccinated that resides in Jefferson Parish and collect an annual fee as provided in this section. The veterinarian shall collect fifteen dollars (\$15.00) for each altered animal and twenty dollars (\$20.00) for each unaltered animal vaccinated for rabies. In the event that a multiple year vaccination is given, the fee shall be fifteen dollars (\$15.00) for altered animals or twenty dollars (\$20.00) for unaltered animals per year of the length of the vaccination. These fees shall be remitted to the animal shelter at the end of every month. Veterinarians that perform rabies vaccinations in Jefferson Parish shall issue a valid Jefferson Parish license tag.

(6) ***Annual rabies vaccination campaign. Rabies vaccination fee and license for altered and unaltered animals in conjunction with the annual rabies vaccination campaign*** 15.00

(7) Microchip for a reclaimed, owner or adopted animal 20.00

(8) Microchip for an animal returned to an owner after an attack or bite case investigation or rabies observation quarantine 25.00

(9) Veterinary medical physicals on animals for forensic purposes, bite case animals and animals impounded as evidence in a cruelty investigation pending a court hearing 50.00

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The foregoing ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: 7 NAYS: None ABSENT: None

The ordinance was declared to be adopted on this the 3rd day of November, 2010 and shall become effective as follows, if signed forthwith by the Parish President, ten (10) days after adoption; thereafter, upon the signature by the Parish President, or, if not signed by the Parish President, upon expiration of the time for ordinances to be considered finally adopted without the signature of the Parish President, as provided in Section 2.07 of the Charter. If vetoed by the Parish President and subsequently approved by the Council, this ordinance shall become effective on the day of such approval.

THE FOREGOING IS CERTIFIED
TO BE A TRUE & CORRECT COPY



EULA A. LOPEZ
PARISH CLERK

JEFFERSON PARISH COUNCIL