

Ordinance

AS-O-0094-20

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 5 OF THE DUPAGE COUNTY CODE

WHEREAS, the County of DuPage has established and maintains the Department of Animal Services ("Animal Services") as its animal pound, pursuant to 55 ILCS 5/5-1070; and

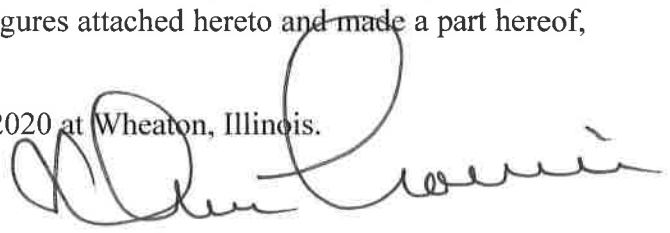
WHEREAS, the County of DuPage has statutory authority to fix fees and charges for the services of Animal Services pursuant to 55 ILCS 5/5-1070 and 510 ILCS 5/3; and

WHEREAS, the County of DuPage and Animal Services wish to meet costs without increased funding from County taxes; and

WHEREAS, the County of DuPage periodically will conduct a fee study of the animal services departments of neighboring counties to ensure that fees are comparable to neighboring counties and sufficiently cover administrative costs

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED that the DuPage County Code, Chapter 5, Animals, be amended in the following words and figures attached hereto and made a part hereof, to be effective November 24, 2020.

Enacted and approved this 24th day of November, 2020 at Wheaton, Illinois.



DANIEL J. CRONIN, CHAIRMAN
DU PAGE COUNTY BOARD

Attest:



JEAN KACZMAREK, COUNTY CLERK

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Chapter 5 - ANIMALS

ARTICLE I. - ANIMAL AND RABIES CONTROL

5-1: - PURPOSE.

The purpose of this article is to provide harmonious relationships in the interaction between man and animal by:

- A. Protecting the citizens of DuPage County from rabies by specifying such preventive and control measures as may be necessary;
- B. Protecting animals from improper use, abuse, neglect, inhumane treatment and health hazards, particularly rabies;
- C. Providing security to residents from annoyance, intimidation and injury from dogs and other animals;
- D. Encouraging responsible pet ownership;
- E. Providing for the assessment of penalties for violators and for the enforcement and administration of this article.

(2005 Code)

5-2: - DEFINITIONS.

As used in this article, the following words are defined.

Administrator: The licensed veterinarian appointed by the DuPage County Board pursuant to the Illinois animal control act or his authorized representative.

Animal: Any live vertebrate creature except man.

Animal capable of transmitting rabies: All animals classified as mammals.

Animal control warden: An employee DuPage County appointed by the administrator to exercise police powers in the enforcement of this article.

Bird: Any flying vertebrate that is covered with feathers.

Bite: Seizure of a person with the jaws or teeth of any cat, dog or other animal capable of transmitting rabies so that the person so seized has been wounded or pierced and further includes contact of the saliva of such cat, dog or other animal with any break or abrasion of the skin.

Cat: All members of the classification, *Felis catus*.

Confined: The restriction of the cat, dog or other animal at all times by the owner in a manner that will isolate the cat, dog or other animal from the public and other cats, dogs or other animals.

Control: Any owned animal that is secured by a leash, or within the premises of its owner or another person with the consent of the person and prevented from leaving said premises by some suitable barrier or restriction, or confined within a crate or cage, or confined within a vehicle.

Dangerous animal: Includes any of the following types of animals regardless of past behavior: lion, tiger, leopard, ocelot, jaguar, cheetah, margay, mountain lion, lynx, bobcat, jaguarundi, any hybrid thereof, or any other similar feline animal; bear, hyena, wolf, coyote, wolf-dog or coyote-dog hybrid; any member of the crocodilian family; poisonous reptiles, or any other life threatening reptile; or any other animal which is "feral naturae" in the eyes of the law.

Dangerous dog: Any individual dog when unmuzzled, unleashed, or unattended by its owner or custodian that behaves in a manner that a reasonable person would believe poses a serious and

unjustified imminent threat of serious physical injury or death to a person or a companion animal in a public place.

Dog: All members of the classification *Canis familiaris*.

Domestic animal: Any animal which has been domesticated by man so as to live and breed in a tame condition.

Feral cat: Any cat that is undomesticated or untamed or has returned to an undomesticated or untamed state and is living uncontrolled in the wild.

Guard dog: A dog used in a commercial business or by a municipal or police department for the purposes of patrol and protection.

Guide dog: A dog trained by a recognized organization to lead the legally blind. The term "guide dog" shall also include any service animal trained by a recognized organization to provide services to persons with disabilities.

Inoculation against rabies: The injection of a rabies vaccine approved by the Illinois department of agriculture and administered by a licensed veterinarian in accordance with the company's recommendations for the vaccine used.

Leash: A cord, chain, strap or lead not exceeding more than eight (8) feet in length with which an animal may be controlled by the owner or person deemed responsible for the animal while off the owner's premises.

Owner: Any person having the right of property in an animal, who keeps or harbors an animal, who has it in his care, acts as its custodian or who knowingly permits an animal to remain on or about any premises occupied by him unless possession is prohibited by federal or state laws. Native wildlife remaining on or about any premises shall not be included in this definition.

Person: Any individual, firm, corporation, partnership, society, association or other legal entity, any public or private institution, municipal corporation, unit or local government or any other business unit.

Pound: Any facility licensed by the Illinois Department of Agriculture and approved by the administrator for the purpose of enforcing this article and used as a shelter for seized, stray, homeless, abandoned or unwanted animals.

Stray animal: Any owned animal that is not controlled.

Vicious dog: A dog that, without justification, attacks a person and causes serious physical injury or death or any individual dog that has been found to be a "dangerous dog" upon three (3) separate occasions.

Wolf-dog or coyote-dog hybrid: Any animal that results from the cross breeding of a wolf or coyote with a dog.

(2005 Code; Ord. No. ACC-O-0042-20 , 7-14-2020)

5-3: - ANIMAL CARE.

- A. No owner shall fail to provide his animals with sufficient wholesome food and water, proper shelter and protection from the weather, veterinary care when needed to prevent suffering and with humane care and treatment. Proper shelter and protection from the weather shall be defined as for a dog to be a building, moisture proof, with a dry floor and adequate and clean bedding material. A horse shall need a building of a least three (3) walls and a roof. It shall have a dry floor with clean and adequate bedding of straw, chips or other suitable material. The inside dimensions of the building shall have a measured area (length times width) of at least three (3) times the length of the animal. For a horse the dimensions shall be five (5) times the length of the animal. The length of the animal is the distance from the nose to base of tail.
- B. No person shall beat, torment, overload, overwork or otherwise abuse an animal.

- C. No person shall own, keep, harbor, or otherwise maintain within the County, any breeds of fowl that are or will be used in the pursuit of and staging of cockfighting on any premises.
- D. No person shall promote, conduct or carry on, advertise, collect money or in any other manner assist in the presentation for purposes of sport, wagering, or entertainment, any show, exhibition, program, or other activity involving a fight between two (2) or more animals or any animal or human, or the intentional killing or injuring of any animal nor any simulated version of the same that involves baiting or inciting an animal toward intent to fight.
- E. No person shall hold a greased pig contest.
- F. No person shall be permitted to keep animals in violation of the "Illinois Humane Care for Animals Act" or the "Illinois Animal Welfare Act."
- G. No owner may abandon any animal where it may become a public charge or may suffer injury, hunger or exposure.
- H. No person shall keep any animal within a building or upon any premises without food, water or proper care and attention for a period of time sufficient to cause undue discomfort or suffering. If the owner cannot be located after reasonable search, or if the owner shall be known to be absent due to injury, illness, incarceration or other involuntary circumstances, it shall be the duty of the administrator or a humane investigator to act upon the complaint as directed by the "Illinois Humane Care for Animals Act."
- I. No person shall give away or use any live animal as a prize for or as an inducement to enter any contest, game or other competition or as an inducement to enter a place of amusement or offer such animal as an incentive to enter any business agreement whereby the offer was for the purpose of attracting trade.
- J. No person shall bring or cause to have brought into the County, sell, offer for sale, barter or display living baby chicks, ducklings or other fowl or rabbits which have been dyed, colored or otherwise treated so as to impart to them an artificial color, or give away as pets or sell, offer for sale, barter or give away at no cost or as novelties or prizes. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prohibit legitimate commerce in poultry for agricultural or food purposes.
- K. No person may knowingly poison or cause to be poisoned any domesticated animal. The only exception will be written permit from the Illinois Department of Agriculture for the purpose of controlling diseases transmissible to humans or other animals and only when all other methods and means have been exhausted. Such a permit shall name a person or persons conducting the poisoning, specify the products to be used, give the boundaries of the area involved and specify the precautionary measures to be employed to ensure the safety of humans and other animals. Any drugs for euthanasia shall be administered by a licensed vet or a certified euthanasia technician.
- L. No person shall kill or wound, attempt to kill or wound or take the nest or eggs or young of any bird that is protected by federal or state law. Birds that are not regulated by the Illinois Department of Conservation are excluded from this restriction during the period of regulation.

No person shall kill or wound, or attempt to kill or wound, or take or attempt to take any fish or wildlife in violation of any federal or state law or regulation.
- M. No person shall keep or permit to be kept or display for exhibition purposes any wild animal contrary to federal, state and local laws or regulations.
- N. No person shall permit at any time his animal to:
 - 1. Run uncontrolled;
 - 2. Harass persons or vehicles by chasing, barking, biting or otherwise presenting as a threat to public safety. A threat to public safety includes, but is not limited to, the disruption of traffic flow or causing of a vehicular accident.
 - 3. Attack other animals;
 - 4. Damage property other than the owner's;

- O. No person shall allow cat or dog feces to accumulate in any yard, pen or premises in or upon which a cat or dog shall be confined or kept so that it becomes offensive to those residing in the vicinity or a health hazard to the residing cat or dog.
- P. No person shall fail to remove feces deposited by his cat or dog, except guide dogs, upon the public ways or within the public places of the County or upon the premises of any person other than the owner without that person's consent.
- Q. No person shall leave any animal unattended in a motor vehicle or enclosed trailer when the outside temperature shall exceed thirty (30) degrees Celsius (86° F) or contain any animal in such manner that said animal does not have proper air circulation while confined in a motor vehicle, trailer, kennel, dog house, or any type of container or structure in which an animal may be confined.
- R. No person shall own any animal which is known to be infected with, or an animal which an owner should know is infected with, any disease transmissible to other animals or man, including severe parasitism, unless such animal shall be confined in such a manner as not to expose other animals or man.
- S. Any animal which is on any public way or public place and which appears to be injured or severely diseased and for which care is not being provided on the scene by the owner or any injured or severely diseased animal that has strayed unto private premises shall be removed, if possible, to the care of the DuPage County Department of Animal Services, to the nearest municipal pound or to the nearest veterinarian or veterinary hospital willing to accept same without guarantee of payment. If immediate removal shall not appear practical or possible or if the removed animal is in critical condition such animal may be deprived of life by the most humane method available on the scene unless the owner shall come forward beforehand and assume responsibility for immediate removal and care.
- T. Any person who, as the operator of a motor vehicle, strikes an animal shall stop at once and render such assistance as may be possible; or shall immediately report such injury to the animal owner, if known; or to the appropriate law enforcement agency.
- U. Any person having a dead animal within his possession or control or upon any premises owned or occupied by such person without the proper permit shall dispose of the dead animal in compliance with the Illinois Dead Animal Disposal Act.
- V. Every person in possession or control of any stable or place open for public use where any animals are kept, shall maintain the stable or place at all times in a clean, sanitary condition and conform to Illinois Fire Prevention Regulations.
- W. No person shall tether a dog unattended outside unless on their property or on property where consent is given. No person shall tether a dog outside unattended unless the tether is at least twelve (12) feet long so as to allow for adequate exercise and freedom of movement and the period of confinement is in less than thirty-minute increments. Owner or person deemed responsible for the dog should make reasonable attempts to prevent the animal from becoming a safety risk to themselves or others while maintained on a tether. The use of the term "unattended" shall for the purposes of this subsection be defined as the absence of an owner or other care taker of a dog from the premises where the dog is located. The use of the term "tether" shall for the purposes of this subsection be defined as a non-retractable cord, rope, chain, or lead fastened securely to a dog's collar and/or harness.
- X. No person driving a motor vehicle shall transport any animal in the back of the vehicle in a space intended for any load on the vehicle unless the space is enclosed or has side and tail racks to a height of at least forty-six (46) inches extending vertically from the floor, the vehicle has installed means of preventing the animal from being discharged, or the animal is cross tethered to the vehicle, or is protected by secured container or cage in a manner which will prevent the animal from being thrown, falling or jumping from the vehicle.
- Y. It shall be unlawful for any person to place, set, use or maintain a leghold or body gripping trap or one (1) of similar construction to capture a dog, cat any livestock or other domestic animal.

1. It shall be unlawful to set these type of traps in any of the following areas:
 - a. Within one hundred fifty (150) feet of a dedicated right-of-way.
 - b. Within one thousand (1,000) feet of a school, public park, library, museum or swimming pool.
 - c. Within one thousand (1,000) feet of a residential dwelling unless the trap(s) are set in an area meeting the following conditions:
 - (1) The area is enclosed by a fence or other barrier in a sturdy condition and at least three (3) feet in height.
 - (2) The area is posted with warning signs on the fence or barrier stating "WARNING - TRAPS IN USE" in lettering at least one (1) inch high. Such signs shall be visible at a distance of fifty (50) feet and maintained in a readable condition.
 - (3) Any trap(s) set shall be marked with a red, yellow or orange warning flag or marker which extends at least one (1) foot above surrounding vegetation, water or other surrounding ground debris.

All incidents of a human, a dog, a cat, any livestock or other domestic animal being trapped, or injured by one (1) of the aforementioned traps shall be reported to the DuPage County Animal Services Department. All animals shall be released and returned to their owner, if known, or brought to the DuPage County Animal Services Department.

The placing, setting, using or maintaining of leghold and body gripping traps contrary to the above provisions shall only be permitted in writing by the administrator after he has made the determination that the use of such traps is necessary to protect the health and safety of the County's inhabitants and/or domestic animals or to prevent the spread of rabies. Such written approval shall designate the location where the trap(s) will be set, the time period during which the trap(s) will be at the location and the type(s) of trap(s) to be used. In no case shall the trap(s) remain in one (1) location for more than twelve (12) hours without further approval from the administrator. The administrator may also require that the trap(s) not be left unattended for periods of time of no less than three (3) hours nor longer than twelve (12) hours at his or her discretion.

The trap(s) shall have a tag attached to it stating the name, address and phone number of the owner of the trap.

Nothing in this article shall prohibit the use of traps designed to kill pests or vermin such as mice, rats, gophers or moles when used for their intended purpose.

(2005 Code; Ord. No. ACC-O-0042-20 , 7-14-2020)

5-4: - RABIES VACCINATION.

- A. Every owner, except animal shelters, animal impounding facilities and laboratory animal facilities, of a cat or dog four (4) months or more of age shall cause such cat or dog to be inoculated with rabies vaccine by a licensed veterinarian at such intervals as approved by the Illinois Department of Agriculture. The rabies vaccine shall be licensed by the United States Department of Agriculture and approved by the Illinois Department of Agriculture.
- B. Evidence of such rabies inoculation shall be entered on a certificate approved by the DuPage County Board. Veterinarians who inoculate a cat or dog shall procure from the DuPage County Animal Services serially numbered tags, one (1) to be issued with each inoculation certificate. Only one (1) cat or dog shall be included on each certificate. Upon change of ownership, application shall be made for a new inoculation certificate. Such tags shall be attached to the collar or harness worn by the cat or dog which the tag was issued when the cat or dog is off the property of the owner. The base tag fees for the one (1) year or three (3) year registration for a canine or feline shall be paid to

the department upon procurement, with any unaltered or intact differential to be remitted with the submission of certificates by the tenth of each month following the month of inoculation. The fees paid to the department will be transferred to the County Treasurer once the differential(s) for the month, if any, are distributed by the department.

- C. Owners of dogs or cats who establish residency in DuPage County whose animal is currently vaccinated for rabies shall register their animal with the DuPage County Animal Services within thirty (30) days of establishing residency.
- D. The administrator may appoint such number of deputy administrators and wardens as are authorized by the board.

(2005 Code)

5-5: - BITING ANIMAL CAPABLE OF TRANSMITTING RABIES.

- A. It shall be unlawful for any person knowing that an individual has been bitten by an animal to refuse to notify, within twenty-four (24) hours, the police or other officer with the delegated authority who are responsible for the area in which the bite occurred.
- B. When the administrator receives information that any person has been bitten by an animal the administrator shall have the owner confine the biting animal under observation of a licensed veterinarian for a period of ten (10) days beginning within twenty-four (24) hours of the biting incident. All dogs and cats under observation, owned by a resident of DuPage County, shall be implanted with a microchip approved by the administrator at the time of the first examination unless the animal is to be euthanized. The microchip number shall be reported to DuPage Animal Services with the DuPage County Rabies Observation Notice. The biting animal may be confined in the house of its owner in a manner which will prohibit it from biting any person or animal if the administrator or other licensed veterinarian adjudges such confinement satisfactory.
 - 1. When the biting animal is currently inoculated with rabies vaccine the animal's health shall be reported by the veterinarian to the DuPage County Animal Services on the first and tenth days of the observation period for rabies.
 - 2. When the biting animal is not currently inoculated with rabies vaccine the animal's health shall be reported by the veterinarian to the DuPage County Animal Services on the first, fifth and tenth days of the observation period for rabies.
 - 3. When the biting animal is not currently inoculated with rabies vaccine and the owner refuses to have the animal examined by a veterinarian, DuPage County Animal Services shall impound the animal for a period of ten (10) days. If the animal is not reclaimed by the owner within five (5) days of the end of the observation period, the animal will be euthanized.
- C. Confirmation of the health of the biting animal shall be sent by the veterinarian to the DuPage County Animal Services within twenty-four (24) hours of the first and final examinations. Official forms shall be provided by the department.
- D. When an animal confined for biting shows signs of rabies or acts in a manner which would lead a person to believe that an animal may have rabies, the owner or veterinarian shall notify the administrator immediately by telephone or in person of these signs. The administrator shall immediately notify the physician attending the bitten person or responsible health agency as soon as he receives notice of such signs.
- E. If the animal confined is determined not to be infected with rabies at the end of the period of confinement it shall be released from quarantine. The animal owner shall show proof of rabies inoculation for cats and dogs and shall pay any fee, charge or penalty including any fee for veterinary services attributed to the bite. A confined animal, when not redeemed by the owner may be disposed of in accordance with the Illinois state law.

- F. It shall be unlawful for the owner of a biting animal to euthanize, sell, give away or otherwise dispose of or have inoculated against rabies the animal known to have bitten a person until it has been released from confinement for observation for rabies by the administrator. It shall be unlawful for the owner of such animal to refuse or fail to comply with the written or printed instructions made by the administrator. If such instructions cannot be delivered in person they shall be mailed to the owner of such animal by regular mail, postage prepaid. The affidavit or testimony of the administrator delivering or mailing such instructions is prima facie evidence that the owner of such animal was notified of his responsibilities.

(2005 Code)

5-6: - RABIES CASE PROCEDURE.

- A. It shall be unlawful for the owner of an animal which shows signs of rabies or which acts in a manner which would lead a person to believe that such animal may have rabies to fail to notify the local police or the administrator immediately by telephone or in person.
- B. The administrator shall investigate each report of an animal which shows signs of rabies or acts in a manner which would lead a person to believe that the animal may have rabies. Upon determination by the administrator or a licensed veterinarian that an animal may be infected with rabies, the owner of such animal shall be required by the administrator to surrender the animal to the administrator or a licensed veterinarian for confinement for a period of time as determined by the Illinois Department of Agriculture.
- C. When the animal confined is determined to be infected with rabies by the examining veterinarian the administrator shall order the animal humanely destroyed. A copy of this order shall be given to the owner of the animal or mailed to the last known address of the owner. Any animal capable of transmitting rabies in direct contact with the rabid animal whether or not the exposed animal has been inoculated with rabies shall be confined as recommended by the administrator. The administrator may order the exposed animal euthanized.
- D. If the animal confined is determined not to be infected with rabies at the end of the period of confinement it shall be released to the owner of such animal upon presenting proof of a current rabies inoculation certificate for cats and dogs and payment of any fee, charge or penalty including any fee for veterinary services. If the animal is not redeemed by the owner, the animal may be disposed of in accordance with Illinois State Law.
- E. Whenever a case of rabies has occurred in a locality, or whenever the proper officials of a government unit are apprehensive of the spread of rabies, the administrator shall act as directed by the rules and regulations of the Illinois Department of Agriculture.

(2005 Code)

5-7: - STRAY ANIMALS.

- A. Whenever an animal control warden observes or is informed that an animal is roaming freely and not under the control of the owner, the animal shall be immediately apprehended and impounded. Any person may apprehend a stray animal and inform the local police or the administrator so that the stray animal can be impounded.
1. All stray animals impounded shall have a record. The record shall include the owner's name, address and telephone number, if known; species or breed, color, sex and physical condition of the animal; license or tag number, if known; and the time and date impounded.
 2. When owners of stray animals impounded are known, notice shall be given by mail to the last known address. Stray animals shall not be held less than seven (7) business days, with the exception of feral cats which shall not be held less than three (3) days. All reclaimed dogs and

cats shall be implanted with a microchip approved by the administrator prior to release. All unclaimed apprehended animals shall be placed for adoption, humanely euthanized or otherwise disposed of in accordance with the Illinois state law.

3. The stray animal owner is responsible for all costs relating to the apprehension and impoundment of the animal found not under control.
4. Owners of any dog or cat adopted from DuPage County Animal Services shall have the animal examined by a veterinarian within seven (7) days of adoption and receive any necessary vaccinations and medications. The adopting owner shall not sell the animal nor use it in any way as a source of revenue. The adopting owner shall not give away or dispose of in any manner the animal within one (1) year of the date of adoption without the approval of the administrator.

(2005 Code)

5-8: - RESTRICTIONS ON CONTROLLED CATS AND DOGS.

- A. Cats and dogs shall not be permitted to enter any place where food is processed for human consumption. Guide dogs and guard dogs used in food establishments are exempt from this restriction.
- B. Cats and dogs, except guide dogs, shall not be present at or upon any school premises, public playground or public swimming pool unless official written permission has been granted by the public agency or its agent owning the property. At no time shall cats and dogs be permitted in any sand box or sand piles in which children play.

(2005 Code)

5-9: - FEMALE CATS AND DOGS IN HEAT.

All cats and dogs in heat (estrus) shall be confined in a building or secure enclosure and attended in such a manner that such female cat or dog cannot come into contact with a male of the same species except for planned breeding.

(2005 Code)

5-10: - DANGEROUS ANIMALS.

Possession of a lion, tiger, leopard, ocelot, jaguar, cheetah, margay, mountain lion, lynx, bobcat, jaguarundi, any hybrid thereof, or any other similar feline animal, bear hyena, wolf coyote, wolf-dog or coyote-dog hybrid, any member of the crocodilian family, poisonous reptile, or any other life threatening reptile or any other animal which is feral naturae in the eyes of the law shall be prohibited except by any person or institution possessing state and/or federal permits enabling them to keep such animals.

(2005 Code)

5-11: - DANGEROUS DOGS.

The applicable sections of the Illinois Animal Control Act, including, but not limited to, 510 Illinois Compiled Statutes Sections 5/15.1, 5/15.2 and 5/15.3 are hereby incorporated as if set forth fully herein relative to the regulations of dangerous dogs within the County of DuPage.

(2005 Code)

5-12: - VICIOUS DOGS.

The applicable sections of the Illinois Animal Control Act, including, but not limited to, 510 Illinois Compiled Statutes Sections 5/15 and 5/26 are hereby incorporated as if set forth fully herein relative to the regulations of vicious dogs within the County of DuPage.

(2005 Code)

5-13: - VIOLATIONS; PUNISHMENTS.

- A. Any person violating any provision of this article or counterfeiting or forging any certificate, permit or tag, or resisting, obstructing or impeding any authorized officer in enforcing this chapter, or fails to pay any applicable fees listed in section 5-71 of this chapter, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) nor more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or by imprisonment for a period not exceeding six (6) months or both such fine and imprisonment.

Each person shall be guilty of a separate offense for every day in which any violation of any of the provisions of this article is committed or permitted to continue and shall be punished as provided in this article.

- B. The administrator, state's attorney or any citizen of the County may maintain a complaint in the Circuit Court of DuPage County to enjoin all persons in the control of a dangerous dog from allowing or permitting such animal to leave his premises when not under the control of a leash or other recognized methods of physical restraint.
- C. If any owned animal injures another animal which is under control, the owner of the attacking animal is liable for the full amount of the injuries sustained.
- D. If any owned animal, without provocation, attacks or injures any person who is peacefully conducting himself in any place where he may lawfully be, the owner of such animal is liable for damages to such person for the amount of the injury sustained.

(2005 Code)

5-14: - DUTIES OF ADMINISTRATOR; COOPERATION OF SHERIFF AND POLICE.

- A. It shall be the duty of the administrator, through public education, rabies inoculation, stray control, impoundment, quarantine and other means deemed necessary to control and prevent the spread of rabies in DuPage County.
- B. The administrator and animal control wardens are for the purpose of enforcing this act, clothed with full police power.
- C. The sheriff and his deputies and municipal police officers shall cooperate with the administrator in carrying out the provisions of the Illinois Animal Control Act.

(2005 Code)

5-15: - POWERS OF MUNICIPALITIES, ETC., TO REGULATE ANIMALS.

Nothing in this article shall be held to limit, in any manner, the power of any municipality or other political subdivision to prohibit animals from running at large, nor shall anything in this article be construed to, in any manner, limit the power of any municipality or other political subdivision to further control and

regulate animals in such municipality or other political subdivision, including a requirement of inoculation with rabies vaccine.

(2005 Code)

5-16: - RESPONSIBILITIES.

The administrator or police officer or anyone enforcing the provisions of this article shall not be held responsible for any accident or disease that may happen to any animal.

(2005 Code)

5-17: - SUPERVISION BY DEPARTMENT; RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The administrator may issue regulations, consistent with the provisions of this article, for their administration and enforcement and may prescribe forms which shall be used in connection therewith.

(2005 Code)

5-18: - EFFECT OF INVALID SECTION, PART OF SECTION, RULE OR REGULATION.

The sections of this article are severable, and if any section herein or any portion thereof is held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect any other section or portion of section herein, or any rule or regulation.

(2005 Code)

5-19: - REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES.

Any portion of any other ordinance or resolution of the DuPage County Board to the extent that such portion conflicts with the provisions of this article, is hereby repealed.

(2005 Code)

5-20: - EFFECTIVE DATE.

This article shall be in full force and effect upon its passage.

(2005 Code)

5-21 through 5-30: - RESERVED.

ARTICLE II. - ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

5-31: - ANIMAL BITE REPORT PROCEDURES.

- A. **ANIMAL BITE REPORT FORM:** In all municipalities the animal bite report of the DuPage County Department of Animal and Rabies Control shall be the official form used within DuPage County for the recording of information when an animal capable of transmitting rabies bites a person. All municipalities are encouraged to use the DuPage County animal bite report form.

- B. **ANIMAL BITE INVESTIGATION RESPONSIBILITIES:** All police officers are sworn to uphold all federal, state and local laws. Municipal police or other municipal officers with the delegated authority or the sheriff's police in unincorporated DuPage County shall investigate and complete each animal bite report. All police departments and the sheriff's police shall accept bite reports from medical authorities, bite victims and their families, animal owners and any other person having knowledge of a bite.
- C. **DEPARTMENT NOTIFICATION OF ANIMAL BITE; TIME LIMIT:** The animal bite report form shall be mailed or telephoned to the DuPage County Animal Services within twenty-four (24) hours after the receipt of an animal bite report.

(2005 Code)

5-32: - BITING ANIMAL EXAM FORM; PROCEDURES FOR VETERINARIANS.

- A. **LEGAL GUIDELINES FOR IMPOUNDMENT:** A municipality may pass an ordinance effective within its jurisdiction more strict than the County ordinance.
- B. **FIRST VETERINARY EXAMINATION; TEN OR MORE DAYS AFTER A BITE:** Veterinarians performing the first examination of an animal that has bitten a person shall complete the DuPage County Rabies Observation Confinement Notice Form. However, if the veterinarian has proof (police animal bite report) that the first examination is taking place ten (10) or more days after the bite, the veterinarian shall at that time also complete the DuPage County Rabies Observation Confinement Release Form. All dogs and cats, owned by a resident of DuPage County, shall be implanted with a microchip approved by the administrator. The microchip number shall be sent with the DuPage County Rabies observation Notice to Terminate Employment Form. Both forms shall be mailed to the DuPage County Animal Services within twenty-four (24) hours of the examination.
- C. **FIFTH DAY EXAMINATION:** Veterinarians shall indicate on the DuPage County Rabies Observation Confinement Release Form if the biting animal owner did not return his not currently inoculated animal for examination on the day as directed in the rabies observation home confinement agreement.
- D. **FINAL VETERINARY EXAMINATION; FAILURE TO RETURN:** Ten (10) days after the bite, if known, or ten (10) days after the first examination the veterinarian shall complete the DuPage County Rabies Observation Confinement Release Form. If an owner of a biting animal fails to return on the final day of the rabies observation period the veterinarian shall return the signed form with the notation "Failed to Return" placed thereon. This form shall be mailed to the DuPage County Animal Services within twenty-four (24) hours of the release date.

(2005 Code)

5-33: - SPECIAL PROCEDURES FOR GROUPS OF UNUSUAL BITING ANIMALS.

- A. **FAMILY BITES; FAMILY DEFINED:** Owners of animals capable of transmitting rabies that have bitten members of the immediate family are encouraged to submit the biting animal for veterinary examination. Immediate family is defined as mother, father, children, husband or wife residing at the same address. The biting animal shall be confined so as not to expose people or other animals.
- B. **CAGED ANIMALS:** Owners of caged rabbits, guinea pigs, hamsters, gerbils, rats and mice that have been owned over thirty (30) days shall not be required to obtain a veterinary examination when their caged animal has bitten a person, but shall report the health of the biting animal by telephone or in person to the DuPage County Animal Services on the first and tenth day following the bite.
- C. **GUARD DOGS:** Owners of guard dogs that have bitten a person in performance of guard duty and have been officially registered shall not be required to obtain a veterinary examination of the dog, but

shall report the health of the biting animal by telephone or in person to the DuPage County Animal Services on the first and tenth days following the bite.

- D. **LARGE ANIMALS:** Cattle, sheep, swine and horses that have bitten a person shall be confined to the owner's property and examined by a veterinarian on the first and tenth days after a bite.
- E. **STRAY ANIMALS:** Stray animals that have bitten a person shall be apprehended and held for ten (10) days or less. When the biting stray animal is not held for ten (10) days, it shall be humanely euthanized unless otherwise directed by the administrator.
- F. **DEATH BEFORE CONFINEMENT PERIOD EXPIRES:** An animal that has bitten a person and dies, is accidentally killed or is humanely euthanized before the tenth day following the bite shall have the head removed and sent to the local public health laboratory for rabies virus analysis (FRA test).

(2005 Code)

5-34: - GUARD DOG REGISTRATION CERTIFICATES.

- A. **ELIGIBILITY; APPLICATION FORM:** Owners of dogs used in commercial business for the purpose of patrol and protection may send a request to the DuPage County Animal Services for an application form for a "guard dog registration certificate". To be eligible, guard dogs must be inoculated with rabies vaccine that is effective through December 1 of the year for which the application is made, and be implanted with a microchip approved by the administrator.
- B. **REGISTRATION FEE; EXCEPTIONS:** Guard dog registration certificates will be mailed upon the receipt of a properly completed form.
- C. **EXPIRATION DATE:** Registration certificates shall expire on December 31 of each year.

(2005 Code)

5-35: - RABIES VACCINATION CERTIFICATES.

- A. **FILING OF CERTIFICATES; DATE DUE:** Veterinarians shall send to the DuPage County Animal Services certificates of animals inoculated with rabies vaccine by the tenth of each month following the month of inoculation.
- B. **VACCINATION CERTIFICATE FILE IN THE ANIMAL HOSPITAL:** Veterinarians shall maintain their own rabies vaccination file at least as long as the legal effectiveness of the vaccine used.

(2005 Code)

5-36: - SUBMISSION OF SPECIMENS FOR RABIES VIRUS ANALYSIS.

- A. **SPECIMEN TO BE SUBMITTED:** Only the head of animals that are capable of transmitting rabies and that have bitten a person, shall be submitted for rabies virus analysis except those in which the suspect animal weighs approximately five hundred (500) grams or one (1) pound (bats, mice, gerbils, hamsters, etc.). In the latter case the entire animal shall be submitted.
- B. **TIME LIMIT FOR SUBMISSION:** Specimens shall be submitted within twenty-four (24) hours of the bite whenever possible or within twenty-four (24) hours of the receipt of the specimen.
- C. **REFRIGERATION:** All specimens shall be refrigerated (not frozen) until received by the public health laboratory.
- D. **PACKAGING:** Specimens shall be shipped or sent by messenger only in leakproof (double wrapped in plastic) containers accompanied by the information card indicating the species and number of

specimens submitted, name, address and telephone number of the bite victim and the name, address and telephone number of the person submitting the specimen.

(2005 Code)

5-37: - REDEMPTION OF APPREHENDED ANIMALS.

- A. **DURATION OF IMPOUNDMENT:** Animals apprehended by the DuPage County Animal Services shall be held seven (7) days.
- B. **REDEMPTION OF IMPOUNDED ANIMALS; CONDITIONS:** Owners of apprehended animals prior to release of the animal shall present proof of current rabies inoculation for cats and dogs and be implanted with a microchip, approved by the administrator, at the time of redemption. Such owners shall pay the following redemption fee:
 - 1. A specified fee to cover the pick up service and the requirement under the Illinois Animal Control Act.
 - 2. Boarding fees for each day or part of day that the animal is held.
 - 3. Rabies inoculation fee for cats and dogs if no proof of current rabies inoculation is presented.
 - 4. Distemper inoculation fee for cats and dogs.

(2005 Code)

5-38 through 5-50: - RESERVED.

ARTICLE III. - ANIMAL BITES

5-51: - GUIDELINES FOR OWNERS OF BITING ANIMALS.

- A. **LAW ENFORCEMENT; LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:** The DuPage County Animal Services is the organization that is given the authority to enforce the laws relating to biting animals. The basis for these laws is protection of the health of the bite victim through the control of rabies. The health of the biting animal is determined by an examination and through the observation of the biting animal by a veterinarian for ten (10) days following the bite.

A more direct and effective method of determining rabies in the biting animal is through the examination of the brain of the killed animal. This method is less than pleasing to most animal owners.
- B. **REPORT EACH BITE:** Owners of biting animals, regardless of the reason for the bite, must recognize that all bites must be reported to protect the bite victim's health. All confirmed cases of rabies in man, with one (1) exception, have been fatal. All bite report forms are forwarded to the DuPage County Animal Services. When the department receives an animal bite report form without the additional veterinary health evaluation of the biting animal, the biting animal owner is contacted by telephone or by mail and informed of this requirement.
- C. **EXCEPTIONS:** Owners of biting caged rabbits, hamsters, guinea pigs, gerbils, rats and mice (if ownership can be established over thirty (30) days' duration) and biting registered guard dogs are only required to call the DuPage County Animal Services on the first and tenth day after the bite and report the health of the biting animal.
- D. **DEATH OF BITING ANIMAL:** Whenever a biting animal dies within ten (10) days of the bite, the head of the animal must be submitted to the local public health laboratory for rabies virus analysis. If the death of a biting animal other than a dog or a cat occurs for any unspecified reason within thirty (30) days of a bite, it is advisable for the animal owner to submit the animal head for laboratory evaluation.

- E. **COURT APPEARANCES:** Owners of biting animals shall be required to appear in court for violation of the law whenever any of the following occur:
1. If the biting animal is not currently vaccinated against rabies.
 2. If the biting animal is allowed to bite a person when under the ten (10) day home confinement.
 3. If the biting animal is not submitted for the required veterinary examination after the bite.

(2005 Code)

5-52: - GUIDELINES FOR BITE VICTIMS.

- A. **HOME CARE OF BITE WOUNDS; MEDICAL ADVICE:** Awareness of the importance of the care of animal bite wounds will help prevent infection and rabies and relieve much of the anxiety about animal bites. It is essential that all bite wounds receive immediate attention. An immediate thorough flushing of the wound with water while allowing the wound to bleed freely, followed by a scrubbing with soap or a good disinfectant agent will minimize serious side effects of a bite. Following the first aid treatment of the animal caused wound, medical advice should then be sought to determine the most effective final treatment.
- B. **REPORT ALL BITES TO LOCAL POLICE; CAPTURE OF THE BITING ANIMAL; SCRATCHES:** All bites (breaks in the skin) should be reported to the local police, but those bites caused by at large (stray) animals and high risk kinds (species) of wild animals, such as the skunk and bat, should be immediately reported to the local police while it is possible to capture the biting animal. Because of the risk involved, the at large (stray) or wild animal should be continually observed until it is captured by the local police or authorized officer. When a break in the skin is caused by an animal's nails or claws (scratch) without contamination by the animal's saliva, the police or other officer should be informed of this fact.
- C. **REDUCE THREAT OF RABIES:** The threat of rabies to the life of the bite victim also will be minimized if the biting animal is captured and placed under observation of a veterinarian. The bite victim must recognize that the medical decision to administer antirabies injections (shots) is based mainly on these facts:
1. Capture and clinical evaluation of the health status of the biting animal by a veterinarian.
 2. Kind (species) of biting animal.
 3. Circumstances surrounding the biting incident.
 - a. Was the bite provoked?
 - b. Was the wound caused by the animal's nails or claws without contamination by the animal's saliva?

In addition the bite victim must understand that any break in the skin caused by an animal should not be regarded lightly. Death, except in one (1) instance, is the result of clinical rabies in persons.

(2005 Code)

5-53: - GUIDELINES FOR MEDICAL DOCTORS AND ASSOCIATED MEDICAL PERSONNEL.

- A. **REQUIREMENT TO REPORT ANIMAL BITES; CONTENTS OF ANIMAL BITE REPORT FORM:** All medical personnel are required under the DuPage County Animal Services Ordinance to report all animal bites. Within DuPage County the animal bite incident is reported to the police or other authorized personnel in the area in which the biting animal owner lives. If the biting animal was a stray or wild animal, the bite report should be given to the police or other authorized personnel in the area in which the bite occurred. The animal bite report form requires this information:

1. Name, address and telephone number of the animal owner;
2. Name, address and telephone number of the bite victim;
3. Address when the bite happened;
4. Type, breed, sex and color of the biting animal;
5. Rabies vaccination status of the biting animal (DuPage County Rabies Vaccination Tag Number is necessary);
6. Community animal license number (not a DuPage County Requirement);
7. The name of the veterinarian who examined or will examine the biting animal;
8. Date the bite occurred;
9. Notation if a ticket was issued for any violation.

B. *RATIONALE OF TREATMENT FOR BITTEN PERSONS (AS ADAPTED FROM THE U.S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE):* Every exposure to possible rabies infection must be individually evaluated. Over five thousand (5,000) animal bites are reported each year in DuPage County. The following factors should be considered before antirabies treatment is initiated:

1. ***Species of Biting Animal:*** Carnivorous animals (within DuPage County - skunks, stray dogs and stray cats) and bats are more likely than other animals to be infected with rabies. Bites of rabbits, squirrels, hamsters, guinea pigs, gerbils, chipmunks, rats, mice or other rodents have never resulted in human rabies in the United States and almost never call for antirabies prophylaxis.
2. ***Circumstances of the Biting Incident:*** An unprovoked attack is more likely to mean the animal is rabid. Bites inflicted on a person attempting to feed or handle an apparently healthy animal should generally be regarded as provoked.
3. ***Type of Exposure:*** Rabies is commonly transmitted by the inoculation of infectious saliva through the skin. The possibility that rabies infection will result from exposure to a rabid animal varies with the nature and extent of exposure. Two (2) categories of exposures should be considered:
 - a. Bite, any penetration of the skin; and
 - b. Nonbite; scratches, abrasions, open wounds or mucous membranes contaminated with saliva.
4. ***Vaccination Status of the Biting Animal:*** A properly immunized animal has only a small chance of developing rabies and transmitting the virus.
5. ***Presence of Rabies in the Area:*** DuPage County is endemic for skunk and bat rabies. In most years cases are reported only in these species. However, within the County of DuPage only an occasional bat has been reported rabid. No human has died of rabies that was contracted within DuPage County.

C. *MANAGEMENT OF BITING ANIMAL:* The DuPage County Department Animal Services is the department that administers the DuPage County Animal Services Ordinance. Each animal, except as noted below, that bites a person must be examined within twenty-four (24) hours of the bite and placed under observation of a veterinarian for ten (10) days. Owners of laboratory type animal pets (rabbits, guinea pigs, hamsters, gerbils, rats and mice) owned over thirty (30) days and registered guard dogs are required to call the DuPage County Animal Services on the first and tenth day following a bite. Strays or unwanted cats or dogs may be killed immediately and their heads submitted for rabies examination by fluorescent microscopy. Signs of rabies in wild animals cannot be interpreted reliably; therefore, any wild animal that bites or scratches a person shall be killed at once (without unnecessary damage to the head) and the brain examined for evidence of rabies.

- D. **RABIES CASE PROCEDURE:** Whenever a biting animal develops signs suggestive of rabies, the animal will be killed and the head removed and taken to the Illinois Public Health Laboratory or the Chicago Public Health Laboratory. In all cases positive for rabies the medical personnel or health facility reporting the bite will immediately be notified through a telephone call from the administrator.
- E. **POST EXPOSURE PROPHYLAXIS:** The latest recommendations for post exposure prophylaxis published by the United States public health service advisory committee on immunization practices is found in the "Morbidity And Mortality Weekly Report" of the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare. The report is dated 31 December 1976, volume 25, number 51. If questions persist after reviewing these recommendations, consultation can be sought at the DuPage County Health Department.
- F. **LOCAL TREATMENT OF WOUNDS:** Immediate and thorough local treatment of all bite wounds and scratches is perhaps the most effective rabies preventive. The wound should be thoroughly cleansed with soap and water. When the wound treatment is under the direction of a physician, tetanus prophylaxis and control of bacterial infection should be given as indicated. Experimentally, the incidence of rabies in animals can be markedly reduced with local therapy alone.

(2005 Code)

5-54: - GUIDELINES FOR POLICE PERSONNEL.

- A. **METHOD OF ENFORCEMENT:** All police officers are sworn to uphold all federal, state and local laws. Within DuPage County the local police are usually designated to investigate each animal bite. In some communities special officers are assigned this duty.
- B. **PURPOSE OF ANIMAL BITE REPORTS:** The purpose of the animal bite investigation is to determine if a bitten person has been exposed to rabies. The question of rabies exposure can best and most quickly be determined by killing the biting animal, removing the head and submitting it to and approved public health laboratory for rabies virus analysis. Killing of all biting animals, particularly domestic pets, is not generally acceptable. Therefore, the biting animal that is not killed and checked at the laboratory must be examined by a veterinarian within twenty-four (24) hours of the bite.
- C. **ANIMAL BITE PROCEDURE:**
 - 1. Assist the bite victim to a medical facility or advise the victim to seek medical advice.
 - 2. Inform the owners of biting animals that the animal must be examined by a veterinarian within twenty-four (24) hours of the bite.
 - 3. Capture or keep under continuous surveillance all wild animals and all other biting animals that are at large (stray).
 - 4. Complete and mail within twenty-four (24) hours an animal bite report form to the DuPage Health Department and to the DuPage County Animal Services.
- D. **CONTENTS OF AN ANIMAL BITE REPORT FORM:** Information required to complete the animal bite report form is as follows:
 - 1. Name, address and telephone number of the animal owner;
 - 2. Name, address and telephone number of the bite victim;
 - 3. Address when the bite happened;
 - 4. Type, breed, sex and color of the biting animal;
 - 5. Rabies vaccination status of the biting animal (DuPage County Rabies Vaccination Tag Number is necessary);
 - 6. Community animal license number (not a DuPage County requirement);

7. The name of the veterinarian who examined or will examine the biting animal;
 8. Date the bite occurred;
 9. Notation if a ticket was issued for any violation.
- E. **FACTS ABOUT ANIMAL BITES AND RABIES:** All animal bites involving a person should be reported, but this breakdown into high risk bites and low risk bites is intended to aid the police officer in determining the need for animal capture and the urgency for rabies treatment of a bitten person.
1. **High Risk Bites:** (Victims commonly receive shots.)
 - a. Stray (at large) animals where ownership is not known.
 - b. Wild animals. Within DuPage County the bat and the skunk are the species most often involved.
 - c. Sick animals not under the care of a veterinarian.
 - d. Any pet animal that attacks a person for no known reason (unprovoked bite).
 2. **Low Risk Bites:** (Victims rarely receive shots.)
 - a. Pet animals that bite as a result of an action of a person (provoked bite.)
 - b. Bites inflicted by rabbits, squirrels, guinea pigs, hamsters, gerbils, chipmunks, rats, mice and other rodents. Within the United States human rabies has never resulted from a bite from these animals.
 - c. Bites that in fact are wounds caused by the animal's claws or nails (scratches) without contamination by the animal's saliva.

(2005 Code)

5-55: - GUIDELINES FOR VETERINARIANS.

- A. **VET EXAM REQUIRED; EXCEPTIONS:** All biting animals except those listed below must receive a veterinary examination within twenty-four (24) hours of a bite. Guard dogs registered with DuPage County Animal Services and laboratory type pet animals (rabbits, hamsters, guinea pigs, gerbils, rats and mice) owned over thirty (30) days are exempt from veterinary examination, but their owners must contact the department within twenty-four (24) hours after the bite.
- B. **PROCEDURE FOR RABIES OBSERVATION HOME CONFINEMENT AGREEMENT; SPECIAL PROCEDURES:**
 1. Instruct the animal owner to read the "rabies observation home confinement agreement".
 2. Complete the forms.
 3. Have owners sign the "rabies observation confinement notice".
 4. Mail the rabies observation confinement notice within twenty-four (24) hours after the time of the examination.
 5. Mail the "rabies observation release notice" within twenty-four (24) hours of the date listed as the tenth day on the "rabies observation confinement agreement".
 6. Details regarding special procedures are incorporated in sections 5-32 and 5-33 of the DuPage County Animal Services Ordinance.
- C. **RABIES IN ANIMALS:** Rabies in animals is sporadic and found mainly in bats. Whenever wild animals lose their natural fear of people in the wild state and are involved in an animal or person bite, rabies should be considered a possibility. Specific symptoms of rabies in wild animals are varied so that there is not one (1) reliable symptom to assist in the diagnosis. All biting wild animals should be killed, the head removed and sent to the public health laboratory for rabies virus analysis.

Symptoms of rabies in dogs and cats are more reliable and include the following: incoordination, lethargy, dilated pupils, futile attempts to eat and drink, excessive salivation with froth accumulation about the mouth, change in voice, change in disposition, restlessness, progressive aggression, paralysis and death. When rabies transmission is possible because of a bite, in most cases, the cat or dog is showing symptoms one (1) or two (2) days after the bite and is dead by the fifth day.

(2005 Code)

5-56 through 5-70: - RESERVED.

ARTICLE IV. - FEES

5-71: - FEES.

The following fees and charges for services of Animal Services shall apply:

GENERAL SERVICES:

1. Registration:
 - 1-Year Registration tag per altered canine or feline\$15.00
 - 1-Year Registration tag per unaltered canine or feline40.00
 - 3-Year Registration tag per altered canine or feline40.00
 - 3-Year Registration tag per unaltered canine or feline90.00
 - State of Illinois Anna's Law Differential for intact animals (already included in above)10.00
 - Registration tag, new resident with current out of county6.00
 - Replacement tag5.00
2. Impoundment:
 - Impoundment penalty per animal with identification75.00
 - Impoundment penalty per animal without identification100.00
 - Impoundment out of county fee with or without identification125.00
 - Subsequent occurrence impoundment fee - within one year100.00
 - Board for each impounded canine or feline per day15.00
 - Board for each impounded other animal per day15.00
 - Pick up per animal during hours75.00
 - Pick up per animal after hours100.00
 - Vaccination for distemper per animal15.00
 - Vaccination for kennel cough complex per animal15.00
 - Vaccination for rabies per animal15.00

- Other miscellaneous vaccination per dosage15.00
- Microchip implant for impounded animal10.00
- Microchip registration fee for impounded animal10.00
- Reclaim per feral/un-socialized felineFee waived
- Public health euthanasia & biohazard disposal fee per animal (under 30 lbs.)150.00
- Public health euthanasia & biohazard disposal fee per animal (over 30 lbs.)200.00
- 3. Euthanasia (no longer provide this service):
 - Euthanasia per dog, cat or other animal (under 30 lbs.)n/a
 - Euthanasia per dog, cat or other animal (over 30 lbs.)n/a
 - Euthanasia per animal, non-resident of Countyn/a
 - Euthanasia for small animals (rabbits, guinea pigs, hamsters, etc.)n/a
- 4. Adoption:
 - Adoption per feline <6 months of age100.00*
 - Adoption per feline 6 months to 10 years of age50.00*
 - Adoption per feline >10 years of age or older1.00*
 - Adoption for two felines <6 months of age adopted together150.00*
 - Adoption per canine <6 months of age200.00*
 - Adoption per canine 6 months to 6 years of age100.00*
 - Adoption per canine >6 years of age or older50.00*
 - Vaccination adoption animalsSee *
 - Microchip implant for non-impounded adoption animalSee *
 - Adoption per small animal (no vaccination or microchip required; fee excludes ferrets, rabbits, exotic birds, reptiles)5.00
 - Adoption per ferret, exotic bird, reptile25.00
 - Adoption per rabbit40.00
 - Adoption any feline >10 years or canine >6 years for senior citizen (65 and over, 1 per year)1.00
 - Adoption per feral/un-socialized felineFee Waived
 - Adoption per any animal classified as hospice onlyFee Waived
 - Microchip registration fee (dogs & cats, add to above adoption fees incl'd 65+)10.00
- 5. Relinquishment:
 - Surrender fee per altered canine or feline - county resident25.00

- Surrender fee per unaltered canine or feline - county resident35.00
- Surrender fee per altered canine, altered feline or any other animal - non-county resident50.00
- Surrender fee per altered canine, unaltered feline - non-county resident60.00
- Surrender fee per rabbits, ferrets, exotic birds, reptiles10.00
- Surrender fee all other small animals5.00
- Surrender fee per canine or feline under eight weeks5.00
6. Microchipping (misc.):
- Microchip implant for non-impounded animal for the general public10.00
- Microchip registration fee for non-impounded animal for the general public10.00
7. Rabies observation:
- Rabies observation per animal, per exam25.00
- Rabies observation per canine (reclaimed animal - resident)250.00
- Rabies observation per canine (reclaimed animal - non-resident)300.00
- Rabies observation per feline (reclaimed animal - resident)235.00
- Rabies observation per feline (reclaimed animal - non-resident)285.00
- Rabies observation under 30 lbs. (surrendered animal)150.00
- Rabies observation over 30 lbs. (surrendered animal)175.00
8. Penalty:
- General violation penalty175.00

*Adoption payment may include any applicable microchip implant fee, vaccination fee(s), and/or rabies registration fee.

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9. ACO assists:
- Pick-up per animal75.00
- Pick-up charge for group of small animals contained in single housing structure (excluding ferrets, rabbits, exotic birds, and reptiles)75.00
- Police department assist of 1 Animal Control Officer during business hours for up to 2 hours (M through F between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.)100.00
- Additional Animal Control Officer during business hours for up to 2 hours (M through F between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.)25.00
- Hourly rate for police department assist during business hours over 2 hours (per ACO/per hour, M through F between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.)25.00

- Police department assist of 1 Animal Control Officer after hours for up to 2 hours (weekends, holidays and outside hours referenced above)200.00
- Additional Animal Control Officer after business hours for up to 2 hours (per ACO/per hour, weekends, holidays and outside hours referenced above)50.00
- Hourly rate for police department assist after business hours over 2 hours (per ACO/per hour, weekends, holidays and outside hours referenced above)50.00
- Tranquilized animal (non-euthanasia)50.00
- Cancelled calls during hours (once ACO is in the van, en route to call)50.00
- Cancelled calls after hours (once ACO is in the van, en route to call)100.00
10. Stray holding:
- Boarding per animal, per day15.00
- Vaccination for distemper per dog or cat15.00
- Vaccination for kennel cough complex per dog15.00
- Vaccination for rabies15.00
- Other miscellaneous vaccinations per dosage15.00
- Euthanasia per canine, feline, or other animal under 30 lbs.75.00
- Euthanasia per canine, feline, or other animal over 30 lbs.100.00
11. Rabies observation and specimen:
- Processing of any animal requiring rabies testing (already prepped)125.00
- Processing of any animal requiring rabies testing (requiring specimen and prep)200.00
- Specimen pick-up (charged in addition to processing fee)50.00
- Rabies observation (includes euthanasia fee) under 30 lbs.225.00
- Rabies observation (includes euthanasia fee) over 30 lbs.250.00
12. Deceased on arrival:
- Drop off D.O.A. canine, feline or other small animal25.00
- Drop off D.O.A. deer or similar large animal75.00
13. Vet Services for Licensed Rescue and Animal Welfare Agencies:
- Feral feline spay or neuter (in DuPage County)30.00*
- Feral feline spay or neuter (out of County)60.00*
- Friendly feline spay or neuter30.00*
- Canine spay (based on weight)60.00 to 85.00*
- Canine neuter (based on weight)45.00 to 60.00*

Dental minor50.00
Dental major100.00
Pain medications/anti-inflammatory30.00
Antibiotic (Convenia)15.00
Microchip implant and optional registration10.00
FIV/FELV snap20.00
Vaccination FVRCP10.00
Vaccination rabies15.00
Euthanasia & mass cremation (under 30 lbs.)25.00
Euthanasia & mass cremation (over 30 lbs.)50.00

* Procedures include eartipping (ferals only), dewormer, revolution, cleaning of ears and wounds.

14. Authority to reduce or waive fees: The Administrator, or his or her designee, shall have the power to temporarily reduce or waive a fee located in this section, including, but not limited to the following reasons:
- (a) An adoption program sponsored by the Animal Services Department, promoted to the public, intended to adopt as many animals that are currently the property of the County of DuPage within a predetermined specific period of time (example: "Clear the Shelter" event);
 - (b) A microchip program sponsored by the Animal Services Department, promoted to the public, intended to microchip many animals owned by the public within a predetermined specific period of time;
 - (c) A vaccine program sponsored by the Animal Services Department, promoted to the public, intended to vaccinate many animals owned by the public within a predetermined specific period of time;
 - (d) Other veterinary wellness initiatives sponsored by the Animal Services Department and promoted to the public at large.

Such temporary reduction or waiver shall be reported to Committee Meetings of the County Board.

This section does not permit a temporary reduction or waiver on a case by case basis.

(2005 Code; Ord. JPS-O-0029-14, 11-25-2014; Ord. No. ACC-O-0009-17, 1-10-2017; Amd. of 7-17-2018)