

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE December 4, 2015

TO Honorable Members of the Quality of Life & Environment Committee: Sandy Greyson (Chair), Tiffinni A. Young (Vice Chair), Rickey D. Callahan, Mark Clayton, Philip T. Kingston, B. Adam McGough

SUBJECT Animal Service Fees

At the November 12, 2015 Animal Advisory Commission meeting, the commission recommended that the Rabies, Animal Control Administrative (Boarding), Animal Control (Impound- by City), Animal Control (Impound – Other than City Employee), Surgery (Spay/Neuter – Dog), and Surgery (Spay/Neuter – Cat) fee adjustments adopted by Council on September 22, 2015 and effective on October 1, 2015 be reduced to their FY2014-15 amounts.

These adjustments would reduce the cost to customers when reunited with their pets, and would support efforts to control the amount of unwanted pets in our community. The recommended adjustments would result in an estimated reduction of up to \$200,093 in budgeted revenues for FY 2015-16, a decrease which would need to be managed over the course of the fiscal year.

Service Name	Fees Adopted		Commission Recommended	
	Current Fee	Annual Revenue	Proposed Fee	Annual Revenue
Rabies	\$19	\$30,096	\$10	\$15,840
Animal Control Administrative Fee (Boarding)	\$15	\$75,870	\$10	\$50,580
Animal Control Fee (Impound - by City)	\$50	\$75,000	\$27	\$40,500
Animal Control Fee (Impound - Other than City employee)	\$50	\$83,900	\$27	\$45,306
Surgery (Spay/Neuter - Dog)	\$139	\$145,255	\$60	\$62,700
Surgery (Spay/Neuter - Cat)	\$139	\$8,618	\$60	\$3,720
Total User Fees		\$418,739		\$218,646
			Variance:	(\$200,093)

Pending direction by the committee, an agenda item to authorize any changes to these fees would be scheduled for Council consideration.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

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c: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
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