

ORDINANCE NO. 3378

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LONGVIEW, WASHINGTON AMENDING LMC 6.06.120 REGARDING DOG AND CAT REGISTRATION FEES

WHEREAS, the Humane Society of Cowlitz County (“Humane Society”) provides animal control services to the City and citizens of Longview; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to reflect that the price of annual registration on a semi-annual basis is lower than that currently reflected in LMC 6.06.120.

NOW THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Longview do ordain as follows:

Section 1 That Chapter 6.06.120 of the Longview Municipal Code shall be, and is hereby amended to read as follows; provided, manifest and numbering errors shall be corrected prior to publication:

6.06.120 Dog and cat registration fees.

(1) Registration and tag fees shall be as follows:

| Annual Registration | Fee |
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| Type of registration: | |
| Unaltered dog | \$35.00 |
| Altered dog | \$15.00 |
| Late registration fee | \$15.00 |
| Lost tag replacement | \$3.00 |
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| After July 1st (Semiannual): | |
| Unaltered dog | \$50.00 <u>\$17.50</u> |
| Altered dog | \$30.00 |

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| | <u>\$7.50</u> |
| Lost tag replacement | \$3.00 |
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| Triennial (3 years) Cat Registration – Optional | |
| Type of registration: | |
| Unaltered cat | \$10.00 |
| Altered cat | \$5.00 |
| Lost tag replacement | \$3.00 |
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| Service dog or cat* | \$0.00 |
| *No fee shall be charged for a service dog or cat. See LMC 6.06.010 (25). | |

(2) It is unlawful for any person to transfer a certificate to another person or for a tag to be worn by any dog or cat other than the one registered in accordance with this chapter.

(3) A reduction of 50 percent in the annual license fee may be allowed for one dog other than a dangerous dog or potentially dangerous dog or cat per household to those persons who shall be declared by the city manager to be hardship accounts by reason of indigency or senior citizens on a fixed or limited income. Persons seeking such reduction shall make written application to the finance department and may present oral evidence in addition thereto. Upon receipt of any such written application it shall be forwarded to the city manager for investigation and no such reduction will be granted in the absence of a prior approval by the city manager or his duly authorized representative. (Ord. 3040 § 1, 2008; Ord. 2949 § 1, 2005; Ord. 2814 § 1, 2001; Ord. 2372 § 1, 1989).

Section 2. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance and the same shall remain in full force and effect. The City of Longview hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance, and each section, subsection, clause or phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses and phrases be declared unconstitutional.

Section 3. That the City of Longview City Clerk is hereby ordered and directed to cause this Ordinance to be published.

Section 4. Any act consistent with the authority and prior to the effective date of this Ordinance is hereby ratified and affirmed.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after thirty (30) days from the date of its passage and publication as provided by law.

Passed by the City Council this ____ day of _____, 2018.

Approved by the Mayor this ____ day of _____, 2018.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

James J. McNamara
City Attorney

Published: _____