

CITY OF SAN ANSELMO

ORDINANCE NO. 557

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PORTIONS OF TITLE 5, CHAPTER 1, ARTICLE 1, OF THE SAN ANSELMO MUNICIPAL CODE AND ADDING SECTION 5-1.120 THERETO, BEING CHANGES IN THE ANIMAL CONTROL REGULATIONS.

The City Council of the City of San Anselmo does ordain as follows:

Section 1. Certain sections hereinafter enumerated of Title 5, Chapter 1, Article 1, of the San Anselmo Municipal Code are hereby amended as follows:

- (a) Section 5-1.104. Confining of dogs under age of four months and rabies quarantine.

Unlicensed dogs under the age of four months shall be confined to the property of the owner and all dogs shall be so confined for thirty days after receiving the initial rabies vaccination. If any person shall fail or refuse to obey any lawful order for the quarantine of an animal for observation of rabies, any animal control officer may impound the animal for such quarantine at the expense of the owner at the rate of One Dollar and Seventy-five Cents per day.

- (b) Section 5-1.105. License fee.

A dog license fee of four Dollars (\$4.00) is hereby imposed. Said fee is due and payable with the issuance of a license as required in Section 5-1.102. The license fee shall be for licensing during the fiscal year in which application is made for the license, and may be prorated. Such proration shall be allowed only for licenses applied for after January 1 if the owner of the dog to be licensed became a resident of the City of San Anselmo after January 1, or if the dog attained the age of four months after January 1. The prorated fee for a license applied for by a new resident or a person owning a dog attaining the age of four months after January 1 shall be Two Dollars (\$2.00).

- (c) Section 5-1.106. Delinquent license penalty.

Any owner failing to procure and pay for such license within the period allowed in Section 5-1.102 shall pay a delinquent penalty for such failure in the sum of Three Dollars (\$3.00). Such delinquent penalty shall be in addition to the regular license fee and shall be paid at the time of issuance of the license.

(d) Section 5-1.109. Exceptions.

Any dog bred or raised to be a guide dog which meets the criteria established by the Pound Keeper for such guide dogs, or owned and used by a blind person as a guide dog, is exempt from the license fee while being so raised, or while being so owned and used, but is not exempt from being licensed or from any required vaccination. The provisions of Section 5-1.102 shall not apply to any dog owned by or in the care of a nonresident of the city who is traveling through the city or temporarily sojourning therein for a period not exceeding thirty (30) days.

(e) Section 5-1.114. Redemption fees.

No dog or other animal may be released by the Pound Keeper to the owner until all charges, cost of redemption, and the current year's license charge have been paid. The charges and cost of redemption of the impounded animal shall be a fee of Three Dollars (\$3.00) for the first impoundment in any fiscal year, a fee of Five Dollars (\$5.00) for the second impoundment in any fiscal year, a fee of Seven Dollars (\$7.00) for the third impoundment in any fiscal year, and a fee of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) for each additional impoundment in any fiscal year, plus in each impoundment a charge of Seventy-five Cents per day for keeping.

Placement of Animals.

When a dog or other animal is sold by the Pound Keeper, pursuant to this chapter, the price shall be not less than Five Dollars (\$5.00) for dogs and Two Dollars (\$2.00) for cats and other small animals. No other charge shall be made for such animal except for the current year's license fee, if the dog is unlicensed.

Surrender.

The surrender of an animal by the owner to the Pound Keeper subsequent to impoundment for a violation of this Chapter, or any provision of State law, shall not relieve the owner of the obligation to pay such charges as set forth in this Section prior to such surrender, plus the accumulated boarding charges, or those applicable charges set forth in Section 5-1.118.

(f) To Section 5-1.118, add the following:

However, stray animals will be subject to the following charges payable to the City of San Anselmo:

(1) For every horse, mare, ass, ox, cow, bull, colt, or calf over the age of six months, a charge of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) and an additional charge of Two Dollars (\$2.00) per day for keeping.

(2) For every colt or calf under the age of six months and for every sheep, lamb, goat or hog, a charge of Five Dollars (\$5.00) and a charge of Two Dollars (\$2.00) per day for keeping. The City of San Anselmo shall also be entitled to collect for all costs incurred in connection with such animals, including but not limited to the cost of advertising, transportation, drugs and veterinary services.

(g) Section 5-1.123. Commercial Animal Establishments.

It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or maintain any commercial animal establishment without first obtaining a permit therefor. An annual permit fee of Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) is hereby imposed for such purposes. Such permit shall expire on the last day of the twelfth month from the date of issue. In the event that application for renewal is not made on or before the date of expiration, a delinquency charge of Twenty percent (20%) of the fee shall be assessed. For every calendar month of delinquency, an additional Twenty percent (20%) of the fee shall be assessed.

The Pound Keeper shall, in connection with the issuance of any such permit, establish such condition as may be necessary to provide for the humane care and treatment of the dogs, cats and other animals either domestic or wild. The Pound Keeper may deny or revoke such permit when necessary to assure the humane care or treatment of the dogs, cats or other animals whether they are domestic or wild.

Section 2. A new section is adopted and enacts^{ed} as follows:

Section 5-1.120. Required notice of Donor or Vendor upon sale or gift of dog.

Within thirty (30) days of the date of sale or gift of a dog, the vendor or donor shall notify the Animal Control Officer of the name and address of the person buying or receiving the dog.

Section 3. This ordinance shall be published once, in full within fifteen (15) days of its passage and adoption in the REPORTER, a newspaper of general circulation in the City of San Anselmo and printed and published in the County of Marin, which newspaper

is hereby designated for that purpose, and it shall be in full force and effect thirty (30) days after its final passage and adoption.

The foregoing ordinance was duly and regularly introduced at a regular meeting of the San Anselmo City Council held on January 9, 1968, and was thereafter at a regular meeting of the City Council held on January 23,, 1968, passed and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmen Scott, Capurro, Ragan, Reichnuth, Smith

NOES: Councilmen None

ABSENT: Councilmen. None

ARTHUR W. SMITH, Mayor

ATTEST:

ANITA GANNON, City Clerk