

Introduced by: County Administration, Public Safety and Emergency Services, and Finance Committees

Seconded by:

RESOLUTION ADOPTING LOCAL LAW INTRO. NO. 12 OF 2008, ENTITLED: "A LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 115 OF THE BROOME COUNTY CHARTER AND CODE REGARDING CHARGES AND FEES AT THE BROOME COUNTY DOG SHELTER."

RESOLVED, that Local Law Intro. No. 12 of 2008, entitled: "A Local Law Amending Chapter 115 of the Broome County Charter and Code Regarding Charges and Fees at the Broome County Dog Shelter," be and the same hereby is adopted and approved in accordance with the Broome County Charter and Code and all the applicable statutes and laws pertaining thereto.

WHEREAS, currently, in addition to the adoption fee, the county charges an additional fee for each of the following services: licensing, vaccinations as required, and spaying or neutering, and

WHEREAS, the proposed adoption fee, if approved will include the license fee, all necessary vaccinations, microchipping and registration with a national database, and Spaying or Neutering as required,

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BE IT ENACTED, by the County Legislature of the County of Broome as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 115-1 of the Broome County Charter and Code, as amended, be and hereby is amended to read as follows

SECTION 115-1 Boarding and Disposition

The County of Broome does hereby establish the following charges and fees in connection with the boarding and disposition of seized dogs at the Broome County Dog Shelter:

- A. Adoption of dog from shelter: **[\$97.50] \$195.00**, effective January 1, **[2007] 2009**. **Said adoption fee shall include the license fee, all necessary vaccinations, microchipping and registration with the Shelter's local database, and Spaying or Neutering as required .**
- B. Redemption of seized dog by owner.
 - (1) Forty dollars for the first 24 hours or part thereof and \$5 for each additional 24 hours or part thereof and \$10 for each additional 24 hours or part thereof beginning the fourth consecutive day.
 - (2) Fifty dollars for the first 24 hours or part thereof and \$5 for each additional 24 hours or part thereof for the second impoundment and \$10 for each additional 24 hours or part thereof beginning the fourth consecutive day within one year of the first impoundment, of any dog owned by that person.
 - (3) Sixty dollars for the first 24 hours or part thereof and \$5 for each additional 24 hours or part thereof for the third and subsequent impoundment, within one year of the first impoundment, and \$10 for each additional 24 hours or part thereof beginning the fourth consecutive day, of any dog owned by that person.
- C. The owner or harbinger of an impounded animal must pay impoundment, boarding, **\$40** vaccination **fee** and other costs due, even if he or she does not redeem the animal.
- D. Emergency boarding of dogs brought to the shelter because the owner(s) is unable to care for the dog as the result of an emergency such as an accident involving the owner, owner's illness or hospitalization, arrest of the owner, or disaster: **[\$15] \$20** per day **per dog, and \$17 per day per dog for multiple dogs** for a maximum of 30 days, provided that neither the owner nor the dog are in violation of any state or local law or regulation pertaining to pets and animals. **]; in cases of prearranged boarding, \$15 per day per dog, and an additional \$2 per day per dog for food if not provided by the owner(s).]**
- E. The owner of a dog boarding under the emergency boarding provisions of Subsection D above shall be responsible for all other costs or charges incurred while boarding the dog, including veterinary care to protect or maintain the health of the animal or to treat any illness or injury of the animal.
- F. **The fee for prearranged boarding will be \$20 per day per dog, and \$17 per day per dog for multiple dogs and an additional \$2 per day per dog for food if not provided by the owner(s). If requested by the owner for prearranged private boarding, there will be a charge of \$15 for a bath.**
- [F]
- G. Failure to pay any shelter fee is a violation of this article.
- [G] Any collection made by the Broome County Security Division for past-due balances shall incur a
- H. finance charge of \$20 in addition to the outstanding balance.
- I. **All fees and costs will escalate at 5% per year rounded to the nearest dollar.**

Section 2. Chapter 115-3 of the Broome County Charter and Code, as amended, be and hereby is amended to read as follows

- G. **[The Deputy Commissioner of Public Works, Division of Building and Grounds], The Director of Security or his designee** shall have final authority relative to adoptions at the reduced fee and may discontinue making such adoptions completely if, in his judgment, abuses are evident or suspected, or if such adoptions appear to have an adverse impact on the level of regular adoptions by the public.

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Material **bold underlined** is added