

# County Council of Cuyahoga County, Ohio

## Resolution No. R2011-0344

Sponsored by: **County Executive FitzGerald/Fiscal Officer and Councilmember Simon**

**A Resolution** reaffirming and approving a reduced dog license fee for spayed and neutered dogs, effective 12/1/2011; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

WHEREAS, the County Kennel has been organized to perform certain duties in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 955.01 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Cuyahoga Humane Animal Control Advisory Board is established to examine all facets of animal care within the community and identifying existing needs, problems, and resources and to provide the County Council with a comprehensive plan of specific recommendations directed toward improved quality of overall care and control of dogs; and

WHEREAS, by BOCC Resolution No. 082548, dated 6/5/2008, various fees for the County Kennel were approved, including a license fee of \$20.00 for all dogs, effective 12/1/2008; and

WHEREAS, Section 955.01(A)(2) of the Ohio Revised Code addresses registration fees for dogs that have not been spayed or neutered; and

WHEREAS, County Council wishes to encourage owners to have their dogs spayed or neutered and properly registered by reducing the fee.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO:**

**SECTION 1.** That County Council hereby reaffirms and approves a regular dog license fee of \$20.00.

**SECTION 2.** That County Council also hereby reaffirms and approves a 20% reduction of the regular dog license fee for spayed or neutered dogs. The new fee for spayed or neutered dogs shall, therefore, be \$16.00.

**SECTION 3.** That said dog license fees shall be effective December 1, 2011.

**SECTION 4.** That the license fees generated shall be used for purposes of operating and maintaining an animal shelter in Cuyahoga County.

**SECTION 5.** That the Clerk of Council be, and she is, hereby instructed to transmit a certified copy of this Resolution to the County Fiscal Officer.

**SECTION 6.** It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective in order that critical services provided by Cuyahoga County can continue, and to continue the usual and daily operation of the County. Provided that this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of eight members of Council, this Resolution shall become immediately effective upon the signature of the County Executive.

**SECTION 7.** It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

On a motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Ms. Simon, the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted.

Yeas: Gallagher, Schron, Conwell, Jones, Rogers, Simon, Greenspan, Miller, Brady and Connally

Nays: None

  
County Council President

2/14/2012  
Date

  
County Executive

2/17/12  
Date

  
Clerk of Council

2/14/2012  
Date

In accordance with Rule 6B of the Rules of Council, legislation was added to the agenda by parliamentary motion: December 13, 2011

First Reading/Referred to Committee: December 13, 2011

Committee(s) Assigned: Finance & Budgeting

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