

**R-11-025**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA, WHICH IMPLEMENTS MANATEE COUNTY ORDINANCE 06-18 PROVIDING A LICENSE FEE FOR DOGS AND CATS; PROVIDING FOR A FEE FOR THE REDEMPTION OF IMPOUNDED ANIMALS; PROVIDING FEES FOR VARIOUS OTHER SERVICES; ESTABLISHING FEES FOR THE ADOPTION OF DOGS AND CATS; REPEALING RESOLUTION R-10-142; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of March, 2006, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Ordinance 06-18 providing for animal services related matters; and

**WHEREAS**, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September, 2010, the Board of County Commissioners adopted R-10-142 to increase license fees and increase impoundment and per diem fees; and

**WHEREAS**, since the adoption of R-10-142, the cost of providing animal services has changed including the cost of supplies, materials, and personnel; and

**WHEREAS**, the continuation of licensing fees for dogs and cats will assure increased compliance and continuation of redemption fees for impounded animals; and

**WHEREAS**, other fees are necessary and appropriate for the various services provided; and

**WHEREAS**, Animal Services must have the discretion to reimburse, adjust, or waive fees under certain circumstances; and

**WHEREAS**, the establishment of adoption fees for dogs and cats is necessary and appropriate; with the approval of the Public Safety Director, adoption fees may be reduced or waived for special events or promotions.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, that:

**Section 1: Fee list.** The license, impound and other fees are listed in Exhibit "A".

**Section 2: Licensing of dogs and cats.** The fee to be collected by Manatee County from the veterinarian for each license certificate shall be ten dollars (\$10.00). The veterinarian may charge his or her client a reasonable fee. The license certificate is valid for one year. The year begins on the date the license certificate is issued. A serial numbered license tag will also be issued if the client does not have one. This serial numbered license tag is to remain

attached to the animal.

**Section 3: Impounded animals for redemption.** In accordance with the provisions of Ordinance 06-18, owners may redeem impounded animals after payment of all appropriate fees, charges, and costs. The fee for the redemption of impounded animals is noted. The owner of an impounded animal shall be required to pay all charges, vaccination fees, including rabies vaccination, license certificate/tag charges and any incurred medical costs, prior to the redemption of an animal.

**Section 4: Fee waivers.** Animal Services shall have the reasonable discretion to adjust or waive fees.

**Section 5: Impounded animals.** The owner of a non-sterilized impounded animal, not including dangerous dog impoundments, *may* avoid impound fees by choosing to adopt his/her own animal for the non-sterilized redemption-owner adoption fee. If a non-sterilized animal is impounded a second time, the owner shall be *required* to adopt his/her own animal for the non-sterilized redemption- owner adoption fee. An owner adoption includes a health check, spay or neuter (sterilization), vaccinations including rabies, microchip with registration and an adoption kit. The non-sterilized redemption-owner adoption fee is one hundred twenty dollars (\$120.00) for a dog and sixty dollars (\$60.00) for a cat. In the case of a bite animal, the non-sterilized bite animal-owner adoption fee is three hundred dollars (\$300.00). The owner adoption fees do not include the required license certificate/tag for Manatee County residents. The license certificate/tag fee must be paid at the time of adoption.

**Section 6: Dogs and cats available for adoption.** After the appropriate period of confinement, impounded dogs and cats may be placed for adoption. The fees for adoption shall be eighty dollars (\$80.00) for dogs, and sixty dollars (\$60.00) for cats, no matter the gender. The adoption fee does not include the required license certificate/tag for Manatee County residents. The fee is noted on the fee description page of this resolution. The license certificate/tag fee must be paid at the time of adoption. An adoption includes a health check, spay or neuter (sterilization), vaccinations including rabies, microchip with registration and an adoption kit. With the approval of the Public Safety Department Director, adoption fees may be reduced or waived for special events or promotions.

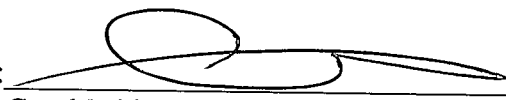
**Section 7: Effective date.** This Resolution shall take effect upon its adoption by the Board of County Commissioners at which time Resolution 10-142 shall be repealed.

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**Section 8: Repeal.** All prior resolutions inconsistent with this resolution are repealed insofar as such inconsistencies exist.

**PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED**, in open session with a quorum present and voting the 29<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2011.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

By:   
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Carol Whitmore, Chairman

Attest:

R. B. SHORE  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

By:   
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<b>FEE DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>CHARGE</b>
<b>ADOPTION FEES</b>	
Adoption Dog	\$ 80.00
Adoption Cat	\$ 60.00
Non-Sterilized Redemption – Owner Adoption – Dog	\$ 120.00
Non-Sterilized Redemption – Owner Adoption – Cat	\$ 60.00
Non-Sterilized Bite Animal – Owner Adoption	\$ 300.00
<b>IMPOUND FEES</b>	
Impound STERILIZED Animal	\$ 100.00
Impound NON-STERILIZED Animal	\$ 180.00
Impound STERILIZED Animal – BITE Quarantine	\$ 300.00
Impound NON-STERILIZED Animal – BITE Quarantine	\$ 600.00
<b>MISCELLANEOUS FEES</b>	
Vaccination – Impounded Dog (Canine Distemper-Adenovirus Type 2-Coronavirus-Parainfluenza-Parvovirus, Bordetella Bronchispectica)	\$ 15.00
Impound Owner Animal/Owner Relinquishment – per animal	\$ 20.00
Euthanasia Request-Owner Animal (includes owner relinquishment fee)	\$ 70.00
Disposal/Cremation Fee	\$ 30.00
Trap Pick up/Set up	\$ 30.00
Wildlife Removal	\$ 100.00
Dead Animal Removal – Private Property	\$ 30.00
Dangerous Dog Registration Fee – Annual	\$ 500.00
<b>LICENSE CERTIFICATE/TAG FEE</b>	
License Certificate/Tag – One Year	\$ 10.00

**EXHIBIT “A”**