ORDINANCE NO. 1101

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 4 OF THE
SOLANO COUNTY CODE--ANIMAL CONTROL--RELATING TO
THE IMPOSITION OF FEES FOR VARIOUS SERVICES

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Solano, State of
California, does ordain as follows:

SECTION 1.

Chapter 4 of the Solano County Code is amended to add
Section 4-115 to read as follows:

Section 4-115. Fees.

The Animal Control Department shall charge, receive, and
collect fees for the performance of services related to impound-
ments, redemptions, adoptions, licenses, boarding, extraordinary
calls for service, and for such other functions performed in
support of said services. The specific service for which a fee
is charged, the amount of such fee, and the time and method of
payment of such fee shall be determined and set by resolution
of the Board of Supervisors.

Chapter 4 of the Solano County Code, Section 4-303, is
amended to read as follows:

Section 4-303. Redemption of Impounded Animals.

The owner of any impounded animal shall have the right to
reclaim the same, at any time prior to the lawful disposition
thereof upon payment to the Animal Control Director of the
costs and charges, which shall be established by resolution of
the Board of Supervisors for the impounding and keeping of such
animals.

Chapter 4, Section 4-304 of the Solano County Code is
hereby repealed.

Chapter 4, Section 4-306 of the Solano County Code is
hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 4-306. Disposition of Unredeemed or Surrendered
Animals.

(A) None.

(1) Unless an unlicensed dog shall have been redeemed
within 72 hours after being impounded, Sundays and holidays
excluded, it may be sold by the Animal Control Director for an
amount determined and set by the Board of Supervisors; provided,
that the purchaser shall not be given possession of any dog
until he shall have paid to the Animal Control Director the
license fee prescribed for such dog. The Animal Control Director
shall accept the application for license and the license fee,
but shall not deliver the license until proof of current rabies
vaccination has been provided. If any dog impounded by the
Animal Control Director shall not have been redeemed within
such seventy-two (72) hour period, it may be destroyed by the
Animal Control Director in a humane manner.

(2) Unless licensed dogs have been redeemed within
120 hours after impoundment, Sundays and holiday excluded, such
dogs may be sold by the Animal Control Director for an amount
determined and set by resolution of the Board of Supervisors.
The Animal Control Director shall notify the registered owner
of such animal, by mail, within 24 hours of impoundment. If
any licensed dog impounded by the Animal Control director shall
not have been redeemed within such 120-hour period, it may be
destroyed by the Animal Control Director in a humane manner.

(B) Cats.

(1) Unless an unlicensed cat shall have been redeemed
within 48 hours from the day following the impoundment, Sundays
and holidays excluded, it may be sold by the Animal Control
Director for an amount determined and set by resolution of the
Board of Supervisors. If any cat impounded by the Animal
Control Director shall not have been redeemed within such 48-
hour period, it may be destroyed by the Animal Control Director
in a humane manner.

(2) A licensed cat shall be processed in the same
manner as provided for licensed dogs in Subparagraph (A)(2),
above.

(C) Other animals shall be processed in the same manner as provided for unlicensed dogs in Subparagraph (A)(1) above, unless otherwise provided for by state statute.

(D) It shall be the duty of the Animal Control Director, and he is hereby authorized and empowered, to forthwith dispose of any animal lawfully impounded which is, by reason of injury, disease, or other cause, unfit for further use or is dangerous to keep impounded. In the case of surrendered animals, they may be destroyed by the Animal Control Director in the humane manner.

(E) At the discretion of the Animal Control Director, an unredeemed or surrendered animal may be kept for a reasonable period of time after the expiration of the redemption period for the purpose of selling it. Normally, the sale of the animal should be to the person offering to pay the prescribed amount as determined and set by resolution of the Board of Supervisors; however, the Animal Control Director may refuse to sell to a particular purchaser if he has reason to believe the sale would not be in the best interest of the animal.

Chapter 4 of the Solano County Code, Section 4-405, is amended to read as follows:

Section 4-405. Issuance of Duplicate Tags.

Whenever a tag issued for the then current year has been stolen or lost, the owner or possessor of the animal for which same has been issued may, upon payment to the County Tax Collector or such duly authorized person of an amount established by resolution of the Board of Supervisors, receive a duplicate tag for the remaining portion of the then current year.

Chapter 4 of the Solano County Code, Section 4-407, is amended to read as follows:

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Section 4-407. Compensation to Issuing Authority.

Any person, other than county employees, authorized by the Tax Collector to issue licenses under this Chapter shall receive, in full compensation for all services rendered under this Chapter, an amount established by resolution of and allowed by the Board of Supervisors upon a claim verified by the County Tax Collector, filed and approved as other claims against the County.

Chapter 4 of the Solano County Code, Section 4-408, is amended to read as follows:

Section 4-408. Exotic Animals.

All exotic animals required to have a state license shall be registered with animal control. Registration shall be made on forms provided by the Animal Control Director, which shall include the name, address, phone number of the owner, and a description of the animal to aid animal control finding the owners of any lost animal. The establishing and amount of any fee for registration shall be determined by resolution of the Board of Supervisors.

Chapter 4, Section 4-425 of the Solano County Code, is amended to read as follows:

Section 4-425. Licensing of Dogs.

Every person owning or having control, custody, or possession of any dog within the county shall procure a license for any such dog over four months of age. The license shall be procured between July 1 and August 31 each year. The licensing period shall begin July 1 and end June 30. The fee for a dog license shall be as determined and set by resolution of the Board of Supervisors. Upon a puppy becoming four months of age, a license shall be obtained therefor; however, the fee shall be prorated semi-annually. New residents shall obtain licenses for their dogs, and the fees for an unlicensed dog
shall also be so prorated. New residents who possess valid licenses which expire on the same date as licenses provided herein, shall be issued a courtesy license in exchange for the aforesaid license upon the payment of a fee as determined and set by resolution of the Board of Supervisors. New residents who possess valid licenses which will expire prior to the normal expiration date for licenses provided herein, shall pay a prorata share for the remaining portion of the licensing period.

Chapter 4, Section 4-429 of the Solano County Code, is amended to read as follows:

Section 4-429. Penalties.
Any person failing to obtain a license as required in Section 4-425, shall pay a penalty, the amount of which shall be determined and set by resolution of the Board of Supervisors; however, such penalty shall not apply to new residents who take out such license within one month after bringing such dog into the county, or to persons who, within one month after such dog shall have arrived at the age of four months, obtains a license therefor.

Chapter 4, Section 4-450 of the Solano County Code, is amended to read as follows:

Section 4-450. Licensing of Cats.
Every person owning or having control, custody, or possession of any cat within the county may procure a license for such cat. The licensing procedure and times thereof shall be the same as for licensing dogs, and the fee therefor shall be determined and set by resolution of the Board of Supervisors.

Chapter Four, Section 4-501 of the Solano County Code, shall be amended to read as follows:

Section 4-501. License Fees.
The fees for a commercial kennel or cattery, a hobby
kennel or cattery, or for a pet shop, shall be determined and
set by resolution of the Board of Supervisors. Payment of the
required license fees shall entitle the commercial kennel or
cattery licensee to maintain and operate ten (10) runs. For
each additional run, an additional fee determined and set by
resolution of the Board of Supervisors, shall be charged. The
fee shall also entitle the licensee to five (5) animal license
tags, to be issued in the name of the kennel. The Licensee of a
hobby kennel or cattery shall be entitled to five (5) animal
license tags, to be issued in the name of the kennel.

SECTION II.

This Ordinance shall be published once before the expiration
of FIFTEEN (15) DAYS after its final passage in the Vallejo Times-
Herald, a newspaper of general circulation, printed and
published in the County of Solano, State of California, and
shall be in full force and effect July 1, 1980.

ATTEST:

JOHN S. BLACKLOCK
Clerk of the Board
of Supervisors,

By

Deputy

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I, JOHN S. BLACKLOCK, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of
the County of Solano, State of California, do hereby certify that
the above and foregoing Ordinance was introduced at a regular
meeting thereof held this 15th day of April, 1980.

On the motion of Supervisor HEWITT and the
Second of Supervisor BRANN, this Ordinance
was adopted at a regular meeting of said Board on the 16th day of April, 1980, by the following vote:

AYES: SUPERVISORS: ASERA, BRANN, DAVIS, HEWITT, and CHAIRMAN BRAZELTON

NOES: SUPERVISORS: NONE

ABSTAINED: SUPERVISORS: NONE

ABSENT: SUPERVISORS: NONE

WITNESS my hand and the Seal of said Board this 15th day of April, 1980.

JOHN S. BLACKLOCK
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors,

By [Signature]
Deputy