ORDINANCE NO. 1951

AN ORDINANCE of the City of Kent, Washington, amending Sections 3(c), 3(d), 5(c) and 5(d) of Ordinance 1321 relating to annual dog and cat licenses.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENT, WASHINGTON, DO HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Subsection 3(c) of Ordinance 1321 which reads as follows:
"(c) The license shall expire each year on the 31st day of December following the date of issuance thereof."

is hereby amended to read as follows:
"(c) Dog and cat licenses shall be effective as of January 1 of each year with the annual license fee becoming due and payable on that date. If the annual license fee is not paid prior to March 31 of each year a late penalty of ten (10) dollars will be charged in addition to the license fee. If the annual license fee is not paid prior to June 30 of each year a late penalty of twenty-five dollars will be charged in addition to the license fee. PROVIDED, that the penalties shall not apply when the owner presents proof of purchase of the dog or cat within the preceding thirty days or proof that the owner has moved into the City within the preceding thirty days or some other proof deemed acceptable by the rules and regulations of the licensing officer."

Section 2. Subsection 3(d) of Ordinance 1321, as amended by Ordinance 1850 which reads as follows:
"(d) The annual license fee for each dog, male or female shall be $5.00. The annual license fee for each neutered dog, male or female, shall be $3.00. The annual license fee for each cat, male or female, shall be $2.00. The annual license fee for each neutered cat, male or female, shall be $1.00."

is hereby amended to read as follows:
"(d) The annual license fee for each dog shall be eight dollars, provided that when proof is submitted that such dog has
been spayed or neutered the fee shall be four (4) dollars. The annual license fee for each cat shall be four (4) dollars; provided that when proof is submitted that such cat has been spayed or neutered the fee shall be two (2) dollars. No proration of a license fee for a portion of the calendar year shall be made."

Section 3. Section 5(c) of Ordinance 1321 which reads as follows:

"(c) For every animal taken up and impounded, as provided in this Ordinance, there shall be paid to the designated official, for the use of the City, by any person desiring to redeem such animal, the total of the following fees:

(1) An impounding fee of $3.50.
(2) If no license had been issued for the current year, the annual license fee required by the provisions of this Ordinance, or if tag is lost, the replacement fee as provided by the provisions of this Ordinance; or, if redeemed by other than prior owner, the cost of transferring registration as provided by the provisions of this Ordinance.
(3) The cost of feeding and care of such animal at $1.00 per day for animals weighing under 90 pounds and $1.50 per day for animals weighing 91 pounds or more.
(4) Cost of innoculating said animal against rabies, unless owner presents a certificate as provided by the provisions of this Ordinance.

Provided, however, that the pound master, in his discretion, may waive collection of the fees provided in (1) and (3) above in event of sale of the animal to some person other than prior owner or keeper. Provided further that payment of the fees provided in this Section shall be exclusive of any fines or penalties imposed upon the owner upon conviction of violation of any provisions of this Ordinance."

is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(c) In order to redeem a dog or cat which has been impounded, the person desiring to redeem the animal must pay the total of the following fees:
(1) An impound fee of ten (10) dollars.

(2) If no license has been issued for the current year, the annual license fee plus any penalties required by the terms of this Ordinance; or, if the tag was lost, the replacement fee; or, if redeemed by other than the prior owner, the cost of transferring the registration.

(3) Two (2) dollars for each day the animal has been impounded.

(4) The cost of innoculating the animal against rabies, unless the owner presents a certificate showing that the animal has been innoculated according to the applicable county standards.

PROVIDED, however, that the animal control officer in his discretion, may waive collection of the fees provided in (1) and (3) above in event of sale of the animal to some person other than prior owner or keeper. PROVIDED, further that payment of the fees provided in this Section shall be exclusive of any fines or penalties imposed upon the owner or keeper upon conviction of a violation of the provisions of this Ordinance.

Section 4. Section 5(d) of Ordinance 1321 which reads as follows:

"(d) Any animal which has been impounded may be re­deemed during the first three days after being impounded by any person claiming to own or act for the owner of such animal, and after such three days by any person, on payment of the fees and costs as set forth in Section 5(c) above. If any such animal be not redeemed within six days after being impounded, such animal shall be subject:

(1) To being destroyed by the order of the Chief of Police or the authorized pound master; provided

(2) That after such six days on order of the pound master, such animal may be kept and offered for sale at a price fixed by the pound master, or

(3) Released by the pound master to any person who shall pay the fees required by Section 5(c) or such portion, including innoculation and license, as pound master may require, or

(4) Such pound master may release such animal to any other organization for such other disposition as he
may see fit, provided that no animal shall be given or sold to any person or association for vivisection purposes."

is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(d) Any animal which has been impounded may be redeemed during the first three days after being impounded by any person claiming to own or act for the owner of such animal, and after such three days by any person on payment of the fees and costs as set forth in Section 5(c) above. If an animal is not redeemed within three days after being impounded it shall be subject:

(1) To being destroyed by the order of the Chief of Police or the authorized pound master; PROVIDED
(2) That after such three days on order of the pound master, such animal may be kept and offered for sale at a price fixed by the pound master, or
(3) Released by the pound master to any person who shall pay the fees required by Section 5(c) or such portion, including innoculation and license, as pound master may require, or
(4) Such pound master may release such animal to any organization for such other disposition as he may see fit, provided that no animal shall be given or sold to any person or association for vivisection purposes."

Section 5. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effective five (5) days from and after passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

ISABEL HOGAN, MAYOR

ATTEST:

MARIE JENSEN, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

DONALD E. MIRK, CITY ATTORNEY
PASSED the 15th day of December, 1975.
APPROVED the 16th day of December, 1975.
PUBLISHED the 18th day of December, 1975.

I hereby certify that this is a true copy of Ordinance No. 1987, passed by the City Council of the City of Kent and approved by the Mayor of the City of Kent as hereon indicated.

(SEAL)
MARIE JENSEN, CITY CLERK