ORDINANCE NO. 677

An Ordinance of the City of Kent to tax and license dogs; providing for the impounding of such animals; providing for the establishment of a quarantine of such animals and the impounding of such animals for violation thereof; and repealing certain ordinances.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Kent:

Section 1. Before any animal hereinafter mentioned can be lawfully kept within the limits of the City of Kent, the person intending to keep such animal, or the person having such animal in custody, shall pay the special tax herein mentioned, and procure from the City Clerk a license therefor permitting such person to keep such animal during the time specified in such license, which tax is to be levied as hereinafter specified and shall be collected by the City Clerk as follows.

Section 2. From the owner or person having the custody or possession of any male dog, the sum of $1.50 per annum; of any sterilized female dog, the sum of $1.50 per annum; of any unsterilized female dog, the sum of $2.00 per annum, which said sum shall be due and payable on or before the first day of June of each year, and on payment of said sum the City Clerk shall deliver to the person paying it a license for keeping such dog for one year from the first day of June of the year in which same is paid, and shall also procure and deliver to such person a metal tag on which shall be stamped the number of the license, the name of the city issuing it, and the calendar year in which it is issued, which tag shall be securely affixed to the collar of such dog and continually worn therewith. The absence of such collar and tag on a dog found running at large after the first day of June of any year shall be prima facie evidence of such tax not having been paid.
Section 3. The City Clerk is hereby empowered and authorized to procure and distribute such tags in accordance with the above.

Section 4. The mayor shall have and is hereby expressly granted the right, upon the request of the City Health Department or the Health Department of King County or the State of Washington, to declare a quarantine on all dogs, whether licensed or not, and provide rules and regulations of said quarantine.

Section 5. In case of the non-payment of the license fee and procuring of a collar and tag as provided herein by the 15th day of June, or in case the owners of dogs fail to comply with any of the rules and regulations of quarantines which may be established as above provided, any dog running at large may be impounded. Any dog so impounded may be redeemed by the owner thereof or exterminated in any manner in which the City Council may hereafter by resolution provide.

Section 6. The City Council shall have the right, by resolution, to provide for the extermination of all dogs impounded for violation of this ordinance, to enter into contracts with persons for the catching and boarding of said dogs, and to provide the rules and regulations and penalty under which said dogs may be redeemed.

Section 7. Ordinance No. 66, passed and approved 1893, and Ordinance No. 342, Passed and approved May 5, 1913, and any and all other ordinances of the City of Kent in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 8. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force five days after its passage and publication as provided by law.
PASSED AND APPROVED May 17, 1937.

Mayor

Attest

City Clerk

Date of publication May 20, 1937.
Dog Licence

Providing for Dog Licensing

Repealing Arre. 66 x 341 & 342

Repealed by Ord. 2005