# AGENDA ITEM HISTORY SHEET

**ITEM TITLE**
Fee Schedule for Animal Control

**AGENDA NO. 11**

**AGENDA DATE:** 10/28/2025

**FUNDING CERTIFICATION** (Finance Director) (Signature, if applicable)

**MANAGEMENT STAFF REVIEW** (Signature)

**MAYOR** (Signature)

**ITEM HISTORY** (Previous Council reviews, action related to this item, and other pertinent history)

Department Policy dictates that the Animal Control Director regularly conduct reviews of the fees charges for all services of the department.

**ITEM COMMENTARY** (Background discussion, key points, recommendations, etc.) Please identify any or all impacts this proposed action would have on the City budget, personnel resources, and/or residents.

Some costs on the department have increased, leading to increases in fees charged by the department. Two examples include: pet cremation, which has had at least two price increases since we last changed any of our fees in 2015, and postage costs has been increased ten times since then. After hours call outs have continued to increase in number, resulting in increased operating costs for the City. We considered what other communities in Central Arkansas are charging for comparable services, and our fees are, overall, are still less than some of our neighbors. Our goal is to keep costs reasonable and affordable for the community and know that any fees we charge will not cover our operating costs, we still want to provide at least some financial support of our fiscal budget.

(This section to be completed by the Mayor)

**ACTION PROPOSED** (Motion for Consideration)

After all three readings are concluded, adopt.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2025 - ___**

**AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 2015-45; SETTING THE FEE SCHEDULE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL CONTROL IN THE CITY OF BRYANT**

**WHEREAS**, The City of Bryant Animal Control Department reviews the fees it charges for some services provided to the public on a regular basis, and;

**WHEREAS,** The department is mandated by the Director of Animal Control to improve its lifesaving ability for impounded animals in order to effectively reduce the number of animals killed within the shelter when reunification, adoption or transfer is not possible, and;

**WHEREAS,** The cost of some operations have increased since the Animal Control Department last reviewed the fee schedule and implemented adjustments in 2015, and;

**WHEREAS,** The City adopted Ordinance No. 2015-45 to establish fees for services offered by the Animal Control Department, pet licensing and other operations; the current fee schedule is outdated, and further that efficiencies can be achieved by simplifying the costs of licensing animals within the City and to effectuate the online payment process that the Department has implemented;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRYANT, THAT**:

**Article 1. Repealing Ordinance No. 2015-45**
Ordinance No. 2015-45 hereby repealed in its entirety and replaced with the following:

**Article 2. Regular Review of Fee Schedule is Required**
It is hereby mandated that the Animal Control Director, or his/her designee, is required to review and update this ordinance, as necessary, at least once every three (3) years, or more often if current economic conditions require it.

**Article 3. Establishment of Fee Schedule for Animal Control Services**
It is hereby established that the following Schedule of Fees collected by Bryant Animal Control & Adoption Center are hereby established:

| ***Animal Impoundment & Care*** | | |
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| ***Fee Name*** | ***Amount*** | ***How Applied*** |
| ***Fees for Dogs & Cats*** | | |
| 1st Impound/Pickup - Wearing ID and Neutered | $25.00 | Per Animal, Per Incident |
| 1st Impound - No ID | $40.00 | Per Animal, Per Incident |
| 2nd Impound | $80.00 | Per Animal, Per Incident |
| 3rd Impound | $160.00 | Per Animal, Per Incident |
| 4th & Subsequent Impound | $320.00 | Per Animal, Per Incident |
| After-Hours Impound Fee | $65.00 | Per Animal, Per Incident and in Addition to the Appropriate Regular Impound Fee listed above |
| In-Estrus Impound Fee | $25.00 | Per Animal, Per Incident |
| ***Fees for Other Species of Animals*** | | |
| Fowl Impound Fee | $15.00 | Per Animal, Per Incident |
| Livestock or Exotic Animal Impound Fee Weight: 0.1oz - 50 lbs | $45.00 | Per Animal, Per Incident |
| Livestock or Exotic Animal Impound Fee 51 - 75 lbs | $90.00 | Per Animal, Per Incident |
| Livestock or Exotic Animal Impound Fee 76 - 100 lbs | $150.00 | Per Animal, Per Incident |
| Livestock or Exotic Animal Impound Fee 101 - 200 lbs | $200.00 | Per Animal, Per Incident |
| Livestock or Exotic Animal Impound Fee 201 - 300 lbs | $300.00 | Per Animal, Per Incident |
| Livestock or Exotic Animal Impound Fee Over 301 lbs or requiring special equipment. | $1000.00 | Per Animal, Per Incident and in Addition |
| Second Impound for Livestock or Exotic Animal Impound Fee - Any Weight | $75.00 | Per Animal, Per Incident and in Addition to the Appropriate Livestock or Exotic Animal Impound Fee listed above |

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| Third, and Subsequent Impound for Livestock or Exotic Animal Impound Fee - Any Weight | $150.00 | Per Animal, Per Incident and in Addition to the Appropriate Livestock or Exotic Animal Impound Fee listed above |
| ***Boarding Fees*** | | |
| Emergency Boarding | $0.00 | Per Animal, per Day, for a maximum of 15 consecutive days. |
| Regular Boarding | $10.00 | Per Animal, per Day |
| Quarantine/Prosecution | $20.00 | Per Animal, per Day |
| Non-Human Primate Quarantine | $45.00 + Cost of Preparation Materials or Special Housing | Per Animal, per Day, except for preparation costs which are as needed. |
| Livestock/Exotic Animal Boarding, 0.1oz - 30 lbs | $15.00 + Cost of Feed, Preparation Materials or Special Housing Boarding/Housing Costs | Per Animal, per Day, except for preparation costs which are as needed. |
| Livestock/Exotic Animal Boarding, 31 - 75 lbs | $25.00 + Cost of Feed, Preparation Materials or Special Boarding/Housing Costs | Per Animal, per Day, except for preparation costs which are as needed. |
| Livestock/Exotic Animal Boarding, 75.1 - 175 lbs | $35.00 + Cost of Feed, Preparation Materials or Special Boarding/Housing Costs | Per Animal, per Day, except for preparation costs which are as needed. |
| Livestock/Exotic Animal Boarding, 175.1 - 250 lbs | $45.00 + Cost of Feed, Preparation Materials or Special Boarding/Housing Costs | Per Animal, per Day, except for preparation costs which are as needed. |
| Livestock/Exotic Animal Boarding, 250.1 + lbs | $65.00 + Cost of Feed, Preparation Materials or Special Boarding/Housing Costs | Per Animal, per Day, except for preparation costs which are as needed. |

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| Puppies/Kittens Impounded w/Nursing Mother | $5.00 | Per Animal, per Day, until the litter is 5 weeks of age, then regular boarding fees apply. |
| ***Veterinary Care & Treatment*** | | |
| Bath | $10.00 | Per Treatment |
| Flea/Tick Treatment | $10.00 | Per Treatment |
| Emergency Veterinary Care | Varies | Based on animal's needs |
| ***Adoption Fees*** | | |
| Adoption | $20.00 | Per Animal |
| Medical Care, Miscellaneous | $20.00 | Per Animal |
| Spay/Neuter | $60.00 | Per Animal |
| Adoption - Small Animals | $5.00 | Per Animal |
| Supplemental Adoption Fee for Puppies, or Purebreds | $30.00 | Per Animal |
| Adoption - Exotics | Set by Director | Per Animal |
| Adoption - Misc | Set by Director | Per Animal |
| Adoption - Discount | Set by Director | Per Animal, as needed |
| Senior & Military Discount | -$20 | Per Animal, Adopters 65 years of age or older |
| ***End of Life Services*** | | |
| Euthanasia 0.01 - 50 lbs | $45.00 | Per Animal |
| Euthanasia 51-99 lbs | $55.00 | Per Animal |
| Euthanasia 100-125 lbs | $95.00 | Per Animal |
| Euthanasia 125 - 175 lbs | $155.00 + $2.00 per lb over 135 | Per Animal, over 175 lbs must be done at a Veterinary clinic. |
| Private Cremation with Return, 0.01 - 25 lbs | $200.00 | Per Animal |
| Private Cremation with Return, 25.01 - 50 lbs | $205.00 | Per Animal |
| Private Cremation with Return, 50.01 - 150 lbs | $250.00 | Per Animal |

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| Semi-Private Cremation with Return 01.01 - 25 lbs | $110.00 | Per Animal |
| Semi-Private Cremation with Return 25.01 - 50 lbs | $135.00 | Per Animal, over 50 lbs must be Private |
| Communal Cremation without Return 0.01 - 25 lbs | $45.00 | Per Animal |
| Communal Cremation without Return 25.01 - 100 lbs | $55.00 | Per Animal |
| Communal Cremation without Return 100.01 - 150 lbs | $65.00 | Per Animal |
| Communal Cremation without Return 185.01 - 175 lbs | $125.00 | Per Animal |
| Urn or Remains Container | Cost | Per Animal |
| Pet Memorial Service | TBD | Per Item |
| ***Permits & Licensing*** | | |
| Dog License | $5.00 | Annually, Per Animal |
| Lifetime Dog License | $50.00 | On-time |
| Wild Animal Permit | $100.00 | Annually |
| Animal Establishment Permit - Grooming Shops/Boarding Kennels/Catteries | $35.00 | Annually |
| Animal Establishment Permit - Pet Shops | $55.00 | Annually |
| Dangerous Dog Permit | $500.00 | Annually |
| Vicious Dog Bond, Pending Court Case | $500.00 | 1-Time Fee, Refundable if court ordered |
| ***Miscellaneous*** | | |
| Credit/Debit Processing | $5.00 | Charged per Transaction |
| Postage/Shipping for Online License | $3.50 | Charged per License |

**Section 2. Authority to Grant Fee Exception**
The Animal Control Director, at their discretion, may waive these fees in cases of extenuating or emergency circumstances including but not limited to, overcrowding at the animal shelter, natural or man-made disaster, and/or individual emergency circumstances of the pet owner.

**Section 3. General Repealer**

All laws, ordinances, resolutions, or parts of the same, which are inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency or conflict.

**Section 4. Severability**
Should any title, section, paragraph, item, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance be declared or adjudged invalid or unlawful by a court of competent jurisdiction, such declaration or adjudication shall not affect the remaining portions of the ordinance which shall remain in full force and effect as if the portion so declared or adjudged or unconstitutional was not originally part of the ordinance.

PASSED AND APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2025.

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Mayor Chris Treat

ATTEST:

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Mark Smith, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Ashley Clancy, City Attorney