AGENDA ITEM HISTORY SHEET

ITEM TITLE	AGENDA NO. 9
Ordinance 2025-15 Fee Schedule for Animal Control	AGENDA DATE: 11/18/2025

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)

Complete second reading

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		
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

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, then regular boarding fees apply.
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.

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		
Vaccination, Except Rabies	$10.00	Per Treatment
Rabies Vaccination	COST	Per Treatment
Bath	$10.00	Per Treatment
Flea/Tick Treatment	$15.00	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
Semi-Private Cremation with Return 0.01 - 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 150.01 - 175 lbs	$125.00	Per Animal, any animal over 175 lbs will need service through a private veterinarian or the Livestock & Poultry Commission
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	Per incident, and payable every 30 days animal remains in custody, 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