

ORDINANCE NO.4243

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTION 6-42 OF THE POMONA CITY CODE REGARDING ISSUANCE OF DOG AND CAT LICENSING TAGS

WHEREAS, the Inland Valley Humane Society and S.P.C.A. ("IVHS") contracts with the City of Pomona to serve as the Shelter Manager and License Collector as allowed by Pomona City Code Section 6-75, "Contracting for shelter services authorized";

WHEREAS, in order to update its record-keeping systems, IVHS has proposed issuance of a permanent licensing tag, which will replace the past practice of issuing a new tag each time a dog or cat license is renewed but still requires annual payment of licensing fees; and

WHEREAS, issuing permanent licensing tags will reduce the volume of tags purchased by IVHS for issuance and allow reduction in overhead costs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Pomona, as follows:

SECTION 1. That Article II, "Dogs and Cats," Section 6-42, "License; application; fee exemption," is hereby amended as follows;

Sec. 6-42. - License; application; permanent tags; fee exemption.

(a) Persons owning; having an interest in; harboring; or having charge, care, custody or possession of any dog or cat over four months of age ~~or not keep it~~ **kept** within the city for more than 30 days **shall comply with the requirements of this section.** ~~unless it is validly licensed and tagged, except when such dog or cat is kept in a licensed commercial dog or cat kennel.~~

(b) ~~An annual~~ dog or cat license shall be ~~due from the owner of~~ **required for any** dog or cat within 30 days after the dog or cat becomes four months of age or within 30 days after the dog or cat is brought into the city, if the dog or cat is over four months of age.

(c) ~~An~~ **A** application for a dog or cat license shall be made to the **shelter manager or** license collector **along with** ~~who shall issue such license upon payment therefor of a~~ **payment of the appropriate** license fee and **applicable** penalties as set by the city council by resolution. ~~All~~ **For each initial** dog and cat **license issued,** ~~licenses a~~ **a permanent tag** be numbered and shall expire at the end of the 12th month or 24th month after their issuance. ~~The~~ **stamped with the county and the year of initial issue and numbered to correspond with the dog or cat license will also be issued.** ~~license collector shall give a numbered tag that corresponds with each dog or cat license.~~

(d) A dog or cat license may be issued for a period of one (1) year but no more than three (3) years. The corresponding tag shall be permanently issued to the specifically licensed dog or cat and shall not be transferrable. A duplicate tag may be issued upon completion of a replacement tag request form submitted to the shelter manager or license collector along with payment of a tag replacement fee.

(e) The shelter manager or license collector shall keep a register of each dog or cat license issued, the corresponding tag number, name and address of the owner, description of the dog or cat, the date of issuance and the term of the license. The shelter manager or license collector shall provide a receipt for payment of the initial license fees received and the payment of license fees for each subsequent license term. Any license fees not paid prior to or within thirty (30) days of expiration of the then-current license term shall be subject to late penalties.

(f) An exemption from payment of license fees shall apply to owners of guide dogs and signal dogs. Owners of guide dogs and signal dogs shall submit a license application to the shelter manager. Said application shall be exempt from payment of license fees and applicable tags will be issued.

SECTION 2. That the City Clerk shall attest to the approval and passage of this ordinance, causing it to be posted as required by law, and it shall become effective thirty (30) days after its adoption.

APPROVED, PASSED AND ADOPTED this 18th day of December, 2017.

ATTEST

CITY OF POMONA

Eva M. Buice, City Clerk

Tim Sandoval, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Arnold M. Alvarez-Glasman, City Attorney

//

//

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES)
CITY OF POMONA)

I, EVA M. BUICE, City Clerk of the City of Pomona do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced for first reading on _____, 2017, and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Pomona held on _____, 2017 by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS:
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS:

Eva M. Buice, City Clerk, MMC