

ORDINANCE NO. 185537

An ordinance amending Sections 53.12(a), 53.12.2, 53.15.5, 53.21(c), 53.50 and 53.69(a) of Article 3, Chapter V of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to revise various fees to be charged and collected by the Department of Animal Services and add several technical changes to Section 53.50.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Subsection (a) of Section 53.12 of Article 3, Chapter V of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

(a) The Department shall charge and collect fees of the types and in the amounts set forth in this section, or as revised in the manner set forth in this section, to recover the costs incurred by the City in connection with animals adopted or redeemed from City animal shelters. From time to time the Board of Animal Services Commissioners shall determine the verifiable total costs incurred by the City in connection with animal impoundment and adoption, and develop and recommend to the City Council for approval, a revised fee schedule for animals adopted or redeemed from the animal shelters, including those adopted through special programs. Unless revised as set forth herein, the Department shall charge and collect the following fees:

1. Spay or neuter, dog, cat or rabbit\$40.00
2. For each puppy (4 months and under) adopted.....\$150.00
3. For each dog adopted.....\$102.00
4. For each dog redeemed\$47.00
5. For each kitten (4 months and under) adopted.....\$50.00
6. For each cat adopted.....\$25.00
7. For each cat redeemed.....\$21.00
8. For each dog redeemed, 2nd occurrence..... \$25.00 additional
9. For each dog redeemed, 3rd occurrence
or more \$50.00 additional
10. For each cat redeemed, 2nd occurrence \$13.00 additional
11. For each cat redeemed, 3rd occurrence or more .. \$26.00 additional

12.	For each equine animal adopted or redeemed	\$325.00
13.	For each sheep, swine, goat or other animal adopted or redeemed	\$26.00
14.	For each small pet, reptile, poultry or bird adopted or redeemed	\$17.00
15.	For each exotic bird adopted	\$250.00
16.	For each exotic bird redeemed	\$75.00
17.	For each rabbit adopted.....	\$71.00
18.	For each rabbit redeemed	\$16.00
19.	Relinquishment fee for a dog	Donation only
20.	Relinquishment fee, including pickup, for a dog	\$59.00
21.	Relinquishment fee for a cat	Donation only
22.	Relinquishment fee, including pickup, for a cat.....	\$56.00
23.	Relinquishment fee for a rabbit.....	Donation only
24.	Relinquishment fee for an equine animal.....	\$237.00
25.	Relinquishment fee, including pickup, for an equine animal	\$333.00
26.	Relinquishment fee for a small animal	Donation only
27.	Relinquishment fee for other animals	Donation only
28.	Relinquishment fee, including pickup, for other animals	\$55.00

For feeding and caring for an animal held for other than adoption or redemption, the Department may charge a fee for the reasonable cost of feeding and caring for the animal. In addition to the above fees, the Department shall charge and collect fees for implanting a microchip and for spay and neuter and other charges as provided in this article. For each dog, cat or rabbit adopted, the above fee includes the cost of a microchip and sterilization. In the case of a dog, the adoption fee may be increased by an additional amount equal to the cost of a license for an altered dog.

Sec. 2. Section 53.12.2 of Article 3, Chapter V of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The owner of a nonspayed or unneutered dog or cat that is impounded by the Department shall be assessed a civil penalty of \$35.00 on the first occurrence, \$70.00 on the second occurrence and \$150.00 for the third or subsequent occurrence for each dog and cat so impounded.

Sec. 3. Paragraph 1 of Section 53.15.5 of Article 3, Chapter V of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The Department may provide and implant an electronic animal identification device (microchip) in any dog, cat or rabbit at the request of the animal's owner. The Department shall charge the owner a fee to provide and implant the microchip in the amount of \$15.00 per animal, or such other fee established in Subsection (a) of Section 53.12.

Sec. 4. Subsection (c) of Section 53.21 of Article 3, Chapter V of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

(c) The Department may, upon acceptable proof of loss and receipt of \$5.00, issue a replacement dog license number and tag.

Sec. 5. The heading of Section 53.50 of Article 3, Chapter V of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

SEC. 53.50. PERMITS.

Sec. 6. The second paragraph of Subsection (b) of Section 53.50 of Article 3, Chapter V of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

All permits issued by the Department as required by this article shall expire one year from the date of issuance, unless sooner revoked or suspended, unless issued for a shorter period of time in the manner set forth in this article, or unless the holder of such permit changes the location of his place of business, or sells, assigns, transfers or otherwise disposes of such business or his interest therein for a period of 30 days.

Sec. 7. Subsection (f) of Section 53.50 of Article 3, Chapter V of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

(f) **Permit Fees.** The Department, before receiving any application for granting of any permit required by this section, may require the payment of an annual permit fee of the type and in the amount set forth in this section as follows, or as revised in the manner set forth in Subsection (a) of Section 53.12 or other sections of this article:

1.	Dog Kennel.....	\$305.00
2.	Cat Kennel.....	\$290.00
3.	Pet Shop.....	\$290.00
4.	Zoo	\$220.00
5.	Animal Rental Establishment.....	\$290.00
6.	Pet Show, Dog Show.....	\$425.00
7.	Alligator or Ostrich Farm.....	\$290.00
8.	Miscellaneous Animal or Reptile Establishment	\$205.00
9.	Circus (veterinarian review not required)	\$4,000.00
10.	Circus (veterinarian review required)	\$8,600.00
11.	Rodeo	\$1,660.00
12.	Homing Pigeons	\$290.00
13.	Riding Academy, Livery Stable, Board Stable, Pony Ride, Horse Market or Mule Market.....	\$325.00
14.	Animal Grooming Parlor	\$180.00
15.	Filming with Animals	\$680.00
16.	Keeping Wild Animals.....	\$290.00
17.	Animal Acts or Exhibitions.....	\$425.00

The fees imposed herein for a pet show or a dog show shall be waived if the show is held in a public park.

Sec. 8. Subsection (a) of Section 53.69 of Article 3, Chapter V of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

(a) The Department of Animal Services is hereby authorized to rent traps to the public for the trapping of nuisance animals. The Department shall charge and collect a security deposit as determined by the Department in addition to fees of \$7.50 per day for small traps and \$15.00 per day for large traps, except as provided in Subsections (b) and (c) below.

Sec. 9. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance and have it published in accordance with Council policy, either in a daily newspaper circulated in the City of Los Angeles or by posting for ten days in three public places in the City of Los Angeles: one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall; one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall East; and one copy on the bulletin board located at the Temple Street entrance to the Los Angeles County Hall of Records.

Approved as to Form and Legality

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Date 1/30/18

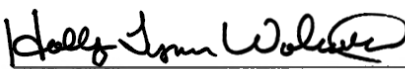
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I hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance was passed by the Council of the City of Los Angeles.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR





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