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RE: ONLINE LICENSING

Dogs and horses (any equine) are required to be licensed in the City of Los Angeles. Cats are not required to be licensed. License tags identify guardians of lost animals. Each license tag has a unique number assigned to your animal alone. People who find an animal with a tag need only call our telephone number printed on the tag for quick guardian identification and reunion with the lost animal.

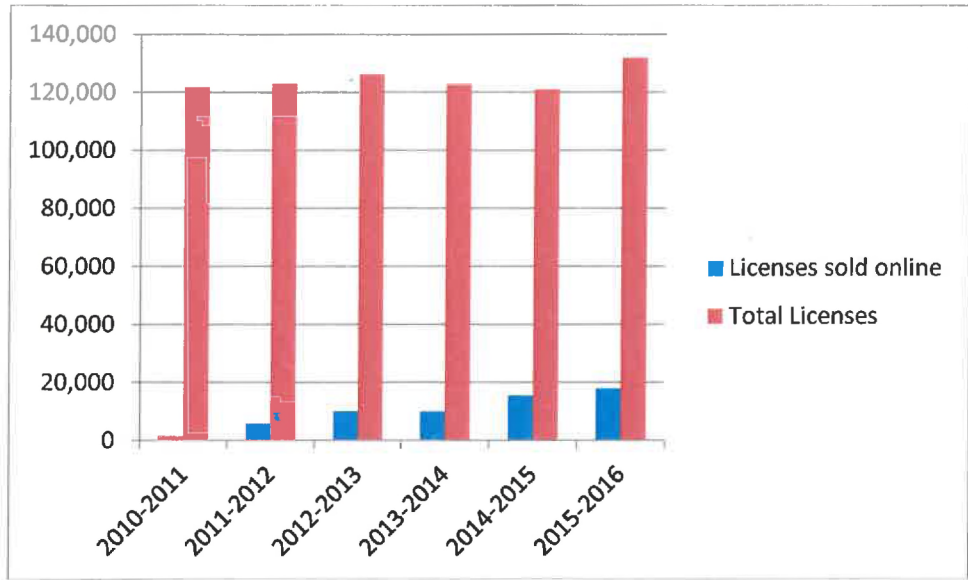
All dogs over four months of age and kept within the City of Los Angeles must be licensed (LAMC 53.28) and must be spayed or neutered (LAMC 53.15.2(b)). A dog license is valid only when the required rabies vaccination certificate, issued by a licensed veterinarian, is provided to the Department and only as long as the rabies vaccination is effective. (LAMC 53.51). Effective February 1, 2009, the City of Los Angeles also licenses dogs for residents of the City of Beverly Hills. LAMC Section 53.15.1 of the Municipal code provides for an equine license fee of \$14.00 per year for each horse, pony, burro, mule, donkey or other equine 12 months or older.

Dog and equine licenses can be obtained online, in person at one of our six City Shelters or at our Administrative Office in Figueroa Plaza. The Departments IT staff and the Licensing Team have been working to make online licensing easier and more effective. The following chart shows that they are succeeding.

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This success can also be quantified in actual numbers as seen below.

Fiscal Year	Licenses sold online	Total Licenses
2010-2011	1,606	121,817
2011-2012	5,790	123,060
2012-2013	10,117	126,234
2013-2014	9,966	123,008
2014-2015	15,569	120,975
2015-2016	17,893	131,959

When online licensing first started it was only effective for license renewals that did not require additional verifications. Several changes have contributed to the growing online licensing. The Chameleon Data Management system has been upgraded. In addition, staff has worked diligently to make it easier to purchase a first time license online by creating a way to submit verification of spay/neuter and current rabies vaccination online by attaching those documents.

Any additional questions or concerns can be directed to Assistant General Manager Dana Brown at 213-482-9558.

Respectfully Submitted,

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