

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA, RELATING TO ANIMALS; AMENDING PIMA COUNTY CODE TITLE 6, CHAPTER 6.04 SECTION 6.04.060 TO ADD AN ANIMAL SURRENDER FEE FOR ANIMALS FROM A JURISDICTION WITHOUT A CURRENT ANIMAL SHELTER AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY**

**THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA, FINDS THAT:**

- 1. It is in the best interest of the County to modify Pima County Code Section 6.04.060 to charge a surrender fee to individuals surrendering animals to the Center where the animal originates from a jurisdiction that does not have an animal sheltering agreement with the County to offset the costs of caring for, rehabilitating and rehoming pets turned in to the Pima Animal Care Center.

**THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA:**

**SECTION 1:** Pima County Code Title 6, Chapter 6.04, Section 6.04.060 is amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER 6.04

ANIMAL CONTROL REGULATIONS

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**6.04.060 - Pound fees.**

The Pima Animal Care Center may charge pound fees pursuant to the following schedule:

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~~OO. Pima Animal Care Center may waive any or all pound fees.~~ Animal surrendered to the Center where the animal originates from a jurisdiction that does not have an animal sheltering agreement with the county. The fee is charged to the individual or agency surrendering the animal:

- 1. With appointment, thirty five dollars.
- 2. Without appointment, seventy dollars.

QQ. Pima Animal Care Center may waive any or all pound fees.

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**SECTION 2.** This Ordinance is effective 30 days after the date of adoption.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors, Pima County, Arizona, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

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Chair, Board of Supervisors

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Date

ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Deputy County Attorney

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA, RELATING TO ANIMALS; AMENDING PIMA COUNTY CODE TITLE 6, CHAPTER 6.04 SECTION 6.04.070 TO ADD A ONE DOLLAR ANNUAL DOG LICENSING FEE INCREASE FOR FIVE YEARS FOR EACH TYPE OF DOG LICENSE FEE**

**THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA, FINDS THAT:**

1. It is in the best interest of the County to increase the number of altered dogs. It is counter-productive to this interest by allowing a discounted unaltered dog rate to low income families when they can get the lowest rate for an altered dog. Therefore, requiring all owners of unaltered dogs to pay the full unaltered dog licensing fee best serves this interest.
2. It is in the best interest of the County to increase dog licensing fees by one dollar per year for five years to offset cost increases associated with operating the licensing program, sheltering unwanted and homeless pets and providing animal welfare and rabies control enforcement service to the community.

**THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA:**

**SECTION 1:** Pima County Code Title 6, Chapter 6.04, Section 6.04.070 is amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER 6.04

ANIMAL CONTROL REGULATIONS

. . .

**6.04.070 - Dog vaccinating, licensing and permitting procedure and fees within county limits.**

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B. The licensing fees for dogs three months of age or over which are kept within the boundaries of the county for at least thirty consecutive days are as follows:

1. Regular, unaltered dog—sixty dollars.
2. Regular, altered dog—fifteen dollars.
3. Dogs declared dangerous or vicious—one hundred dollars.

4. Senior/disabled citizen owner, unaltered dog (limit four discounted dog licenses per household)—seventeen dollars.
5. Senior/disabled citizen owner, altered dog (limit four discounted dog licenses per household)—ten dollars.
6. Dogs ten years of age or older—fifteen dollars.
- ~~7. A dog owner with a household income below the federal poverty level is eligible for a one time twenty seven dollar unaltered dog licensing fee per dog.~~
8. A dog owner with a household income below the federal poverty level is eligible for an eight dollar dog licensing fee per altered dog (limit four discounted dog licenses per household).
9. A guide dog belonging to a blind person who is a resident within Pima County, or a dog certified, in writing, as being trained to the standards of a service animal by a nationally recognized service dog training agency belonging to a resident within Pima County shall be licensed pursuant to this article without payment of a fee.
10. Processing/Postage fee per license, one dollar.
11. Effective July 1, 2015, fees authorized in subparagraphs B.1. through B.8. of this sub section will increase on July 1 of each year by one dollar per year through July 1, 2019.

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Chair, Board of Supervisors

Date

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