

ORDINANCE NO. 3688
AN UNCODIFIED ORDINANCE OF THE MARIN COUNTY BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS ESTABLISHING A FEE SCHEDULE FOR SERVICES PROVIDED
UNDER MARIN COUNTY CODE TITLE 8, CHAPTER 8.04 AND REPEALING
UNCODIFIED ORDINANCE NO. 3582

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Marin hereby finds and declares the following:

SECTION 1: FINDINGS

WHEREAS, Marin County and all Marin's cities and towns provide animal services through a joint powers agreement; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Joint Powers Agreement, Marin County agreed to provide animal control services to all jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, Marin County contracts with Marin Humane to provide animal services on behalf of all jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Joint Powers Agreement, Marin County, through the Board of Supervisors, has the sole discretion to establish all fees related to the animal control program throughout the County; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Joint Powers Agreement, Marin County, through the Board of Supervisors, has the authority to advise the judiciary as to fines and forfeitures related to violations of the animal control ordinances throughout all jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, Government Code section 54985 (a) grants the Board of Supervisors the authority to increase a fee by the amount reasonably necessary to recover the actual cost of providing the service, if the fee is already established by statute or ordinance, and is not otherwise limited by the same; and

WHEREAS, notice of the Public Hearing was provided to the local newspaper 10 days in advance, as required by the Joint Powers Agreement; and

WHEREAS, in December 2017, Marin Humane staff conducted a survey of neighboring counties such as San Mateo, San Francisco, Contra Costa, and Alameda, and determined that increases to Marin's fee schedules are both appropriate and consistent with these other jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, Marin Humane has confirmed that the proposed fee increases do not exceed the cost of providing the associated services; and

WHEREAS, the last fee increase was in 2012; and

WHEREAS, all cost pass-through policies, delinquent charges and discount policies are intended to continue unchanged and will remain in full force and effect prior to ordinance adoption as well as thereafter.

THE MARIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION II: Ordinance No. 3582 is hereby repealed.

SECTION III: A new uncodified ordinance is hereby enacted to read as follows:

Fee Category	[Existing Fee]	New Fee*
DOG LICENSE FEES ESTABLISHED UNDER 8.04.060:		
<u>Sterilized Dog</u>		
For a one year license	[\$19.00]	\$20
For a two year license	[\$26.00]	\$30
For a three year license	[\$35.00]	\$40
<u>Unsterilized Dog</u>		
For a one year license	[\$50.00]	\$60
For a two year license	[\$59.00]	\$70
For a three year license	[\$80.00]	\$90
 DELINQUENT DOG LICENSE FEE ESTABLISHED UNDER 8.04.070:		
Sterilized Dog	[\$50.00]	\$55
Unsterilized Dog	[\$50.00]	\$60
 DUPLICATE LICENSE TAG FEE ESTABLISHED UNDER 8.04.080		
	[\$10.00]	\$15
 REDEMPTION FEES (IMPOUND FEES) ESTABLISHED UNDER 8.04.140 AND 8.04.150:		
<u>Sterilized Animal</u>		
First impoundment during a 12 month period	[\$65.00]	same
Second impoundment during a 12 month period	[\$90.00]	same
Third impoundment during a 12 month period	[\$110.00]	\$125
Fourth impoundment during a 12 month period	[\$150.00]	\$160
Subsequent impoundment during a 12 month period	[\$230.00]	\$250
 <u>Unsterilized Animal</u>		
First impoundment during a 12 month period	[\$95.00]	\$120
Second impoundment during a 12 month period	[\$145.00]	\$165
Third impoundment during a 12 month period	[\$165.00]	\$180
Fourth impoundment during a 12 month period	[\$200.00]	\$225
Subsequent impoundment during a 12 month period	[\$260.00]	\$290

DEAD DOD, CAT AND SMALL HOUSEHOLD PET REMOVAL FEES ESTABLISHED UNDER 8.04.195: [\$75.00] same

DEAD WILDLIFE REMOVAL FEES ESTABLISHED UNDER 8.04.195:

For removal & disposition of dead wildlife under 50 lbs [\$75.00†] same
For removal & disposition of dead wildlife 50 lbs & over [\$125.00†] same

BOARDING FEES FOR QUARANTINED OR IMPOUNDED ANIMALS ESTABLISHED UNDER 8.04.050 AND 8.04.150:

Sterilized Animals

Charge for boarding a sterilized dog per day [\$22.00] same
Charge for quarantining a sterilized dog per day [\$35.00] same
Charge for boarding a sterilized cat per day [\$14.00] same
Charge for quarantining a sterilized cat per day [\$30.00] same

Unsterilized Animals

Charge for boarding an unsterilized dog per day [\$35.00] \$40.00
Charge for quarantining an unsterilized dog per day [\$40.00] \$50.00
Charge for boarding an unsterilized cat per day [\$21.00] \$25.00
Charge for quarantining an unsterilized cat per day [\$37.00] \$40.00

CONFINEMENT AND QUARANTINE FEE FOR ANIMALS UNDER HOME QUARANTINE ESTABLISHED UNDER 8.04.050:

Charge for home quarantine of animal [\$30.00] same

POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS/VICIOUS DOG PERMITS ESTABLISHED UNDER 8.04.181:

Potentially Dangerous the charge for annual record keeping Pursuant to 8.04.181(e)(15)(i) [\$250.00] same

Vicious Dog the charge for annual record keeping pursuant to 8.04.181(e)(16)(i) [\$500.00] same

HOBBYIST & RANCH DOG FEES ESTABLISHED UNDER 8.04.245 & 8.04.246:

Dog Hobbyist Permit the charge for issuance of each dog hobbyist Permit [\$250.00] same
Ranch Dog Permit the charge for issuance of each ranch dog permit [\$250.00] same

The issuance of a dog hobbyist or ranch dog permit includes provision of an individual license for each dog harbored under the permit at no additional charge.

**EXHIBIT FEES & COMMERCIAL ANIMAL ESTABLISHMENT
ESTABLISHED UNDER 8.04.230 AND 8.04.240:**

Animal Exhibition Fee the charge for timely processing of unwaived Exhibit fee	[\$500.00]	same
Commercial Animal Establishment Fee for an annual permit and for timely renewals	[\$450.00]	same
Delinquency charge assessed for late renewal of an expired permit	[\$75.00]	same
Additional charge assessed for every calendar month of said delinquency	[\$50.00]	same

STRAY LIVESTOCK CHARGES ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO 8.04.220:

Equine and Bovine (over 6 mo.) charge for securing and keeping (per day)	[\$200.00] [\$75.00]	same same
Equine and Bovine (6 mo. & under) & sheep, goat, hogs, etc. charge for securing and keeping (per day)	[\$100.00] [\$30.00]	same same
Herding Fee the charge per hour or any fraction thereof for return of an animal that has strayed	[\$100.00]	same

All costs incurred by County in connection with such animals shall be a pass-through to the animal owner, including, but not limited to, the cost of herding, advertising, transporting, drugs, and veterinary services.

SENIOR CITIZEN, BLIND OR DISABLED PERSON'S DISCOUNT ON SPECIFIED FEES PURSUANT TO 8.04.255:

Dog license Fees (any duration) discount from listed fees	25% discount	same
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* Increased fees denoted in bold font
 † Said removal and disposition fees shall be chargeable to the property owner where the dead wildlife is found.

SECTION IV: EFFECTIVE DATE AND PUBLICATION

This Ordinance shall be and is hereby declared to be in full force and effect as of thirty (30) days from and after the date of its passage. Additionally, as required by Government Code section 25124(b), a summary of the proposed ordinance was published at least five days prior to the board of supervisors meeting at which the proposed ordinance was adopted and the summary shall be published again within fifteen (15) days after its adoption, with the names of the Supervisors voting for and against the same, in the *Marin Independent Journal*, a newspaper of general circulation published in the County of Marin in accordance with Government Code section 25124.

SECTION V: VOTE

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marin held on this 10th day of April 2018 by the following vote:

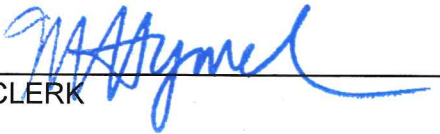
AYES: SUPERVISORS Dennis Rodoni, Katie Rice, Judy Arnold, Kathrin Sears,
Damon Connolly

NOES: NONE
ABSENT: NONE



PRESIDENT, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ATTEST:



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