

Ordinance amending Corpus Christi Code to increase alarm permit fees; adopting a new animal care service fee schedule

Whereas, the City is seeking to increase the percentage of cost recovery per the User Fee Study summary attached in Exhibit A and Exhibit B;

Whereas, Texas Local Government Code §214.204 limits municipal alarm permit fees to \$50 a year for a residential location; and \$250 a year for other alarm system locations;

Whereas, Corpus Christi Code of Ordinances §6-15 requires City Council approval of an increase of fees annually by more than 25%;

Now therefore, be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Corpus Christi, Texas:

Section 1. The Corpus Christi Code of Ordinance, Chapter 3 ½, Sec. 3½-2(d) is amended by adding the following language that is underlined (added) and deleting the language that is stricken (~~deleted~~) as delineated below:

(d) The annual, nonrefundable fee for an alarm permit is ~~thirty-five dollars (\$35.00)~~ \$50 for residential and ~~sixty dollars (\$60.00)~~ \$75 for commercial.

Section 2. The Animal Care Service Fee Schedule attached in Exhibit C is hereby approved by City Council.

Section 3. If for any reason any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase, word or provision of this ordinance shall be held invalid or unconstitutional by final judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect any other section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase, word, or provision of this ordinance, for it is the definite intent of this City Council that every section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase, word or provision of this ordinance be given full force and effect for this purpose.

Section 5. Publication shall be made in the official publication of the City of Corpus Christi as required by the City Charter of the City of Corpus Christi.

Section 6. This ordinance takes effect after official publication.

Section 7. The Corpus Christi Code of Ordinance, Chapter 6, Sec. 6-15 is amended by adding the following language that is underlined (added) and deleting the language that is stricken (~~deleted~~) as delineated below:

Sec. 6-15. - Fee schedule.

~~The animal care services manager shall prepare the initial schedule of all fees to be charged to the public for the provision of services, permits and registrations under this chapter. This initial schedule must be reviewed by the city manager and is effective upon the city manager's approval. Each successive schedule is subject to the same review and approval requirement on an annual basis. Such fees may not increase annually by more than twenty-five (25) per cent, nor may new fees be created without city council's approval by ordinance, motion or resolution. Each approved schedule must be filed with the city secretary and copies provided to the city council.~~

Fees for animal care services shall be charged pursuant to the Animal Care Service Fee Schedule filed with the City Secretary. Animal Care Fee Schedule will be submitted to City Council annually for review. Any adjustment of the Animal Care Service Fee Schedule requires City Council approval.

That the foregoing ordinance was read for the first time and passed to its second reading on this the _____ day of _____, 2018, by the following vote:

Joe McComb	_____	Ben Molina	_____
Rudy Garza	_____	Lucy Rubio	_____
Paulette Guajardo	_____	Greg Smith	_____
Michael Hunter	_____	Carolyn Vaughn	_____
Debbie Lindsey-Opel	_____		

That the foregoing ordinance was read for the second time and passed finally on this the _____ day of _____, 2018, by the following vote:

Joe McComb	_____	Ben Molina	_____
Rudy Garza	_____	Lucy Rubio	_____
Paulette Guajardo	_____	Greg Smith	_____
Michael Hunter	_____	Carolyn Vaughn	_____
Debbie Lindsey-Opel	_____		

PASSED AND APPROVED on this the _____ day of _____, 2018.

ATTEST:

Rebecca Huerta
City Secretary

Joe McComb
Mayor