

FY 2026

ANIMAL CARE SERVICES

FEE SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENT



Background

Animal Care Services (ACS) benchmarked other cities in Texas and performed cost-of-service analyses. The proposed changes and additions are intended to assist in achieving the cost recovery levels outlined in the Citygate assessment report.

ACS has not increased fees for daily boarding, commercial permits, and first occurrences since March 27, 2018, nor the fees for impound second occurrences and species-appropriate vaccines since January 20, 2015. Additionally, ACS is adding a third occurrence impound fee and an amendment to Section 6-26 to add a legal presumption regarding rabies immunization.



Proposed FY 2026 Fee Schedule Adjustment

Fee Schedule Effective October 1, 2025		
	Current	Proposed
Reapplication upon denial of registration or permit	\$10.00	\$10.00
Microchip and lifetime license fee per dog or cat	\$15.00	\$15.00
Replacement of tag	\$12.00	\$12.00
Dangerous Dog Registration (set by V.T.C.A., Health and Safety Code §822.043)	\$50.00	\$50.00
Aggressive Dog Registration (must be microchipped, photographed and wear a specific tag)	\$50.00	\$50.00
Annual intact permit	\$50.00	\$50.00
<i>Auctions; Circus; Grooming Shop; Kennels; Performing Animal Exhibit/Exhibition; Pet store; Horse stable</i>	<i>\$57.00</i>	<i>\$100.00</i>
<i>Unregistered/registered animal (1st Occurrence)</i>	<i>\$30.00</i>	<i>\$50.00</i>
Livestock	\$30.00	\$30.00
<i>Second and subsequent impoundment within 12 months</i>	<i>\$50.00</i>	<i>\$75.00</i>
<i>Third and subsequent impoundment within 12 months</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$150.00</i>
<i>Daily boarding fee (Return to Owner)</i>	<i>\$10.00</i>	<i>\$15.00</i>
Rabies vaccine fee (Return to Owner)	\$10.00	\$10.00
Microchip fee (Return to Owner)	\$15.00	\$15.00



Proposed FY 2026 Fee Schedule Adjustment (continued)

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	Current	Proposed
<i>Species appropriate vaccination on intake (excludes rabies) (Return to Owner)</i>	\$10.00	\$15.00
Owner surrender per animal unless litter under 4 months	\$50.00	\$50.00
Owner surrender of bite animal	\$100.00	\$100.00
Adoption Fee		
Domestic dog or cat; for animals over 6 months old and in good health, includes spay/neuter, microchip/city license, rabies vaccination	\$25.00	\$25.00
Rabies Impoundment and Quarantine		
Animal head shipment - owned animal	\$150.00	\$150.00
Quarantine Fee of domestic animal (per day)*	\$20.00	\$20.00
Collars (including replacements)	\$10.00	\$10.00
Leashes (including replacements)	\$15.00	\$15.00
Signs (including replacements)	\$20.00	\$20.00



FY 2026 Projected Revenue

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\$24,510 to the General Fund.

Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends the approval of the Animal Care Services fee schedule adjustments.

