

RE: ANIMAL CONTROL AND BICYCLE LICENCES
 (Item No. 16, Report No. 61, 1985 September 30)

MUNICIPAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the recommendation of the Director Finance be adopted.

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1985 October 22

TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER
 FROM: DIRECTOR FINANCE
 RE: ANIMAL CONTROL, AND BICYCLE LICENCES

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. THAT the following dog licence fees, impounding fees, and cremation disposal fees be implemented effective 1986 January 01:

- i) Dog Licence Fees

Male dog	\$28.00
Neutered male dog	11.00
Female dog	28.00
Spayed female dog	11.00
- ii) Impoundment Fees

Licensed dog	\$29.00
Unlicensed dog	46.00 plus licence fee
- Violation Ticket

Licensed dog	\$29.00
Unlicensed dog	46.00 plus licence fee
- Board Fees

Daily	\$ 5.00
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- iii) Cremation Disposal Fees

Commercial and private users	\$.20 per pound - minimum charge of \$5.00
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and

2. THAT the following bicycle licence fees be implemented on 1986 January 01:

- i) First time licence fee with special driver's licence number imprint Nil
- ii) Renewal without special driver's licence number imprint \$3.00

SUMMARY

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This report reviews the dog licence fees, impounding fees, cremation disposal fees, and bicycle licence fees for 1986. For 1986 it is recommended that dog licence fees be increased by 4%, rounded to the nearest dollar; that impounding fees be increased by 4%, rounded to the nearest dollar; and that cremation disposal fees be increased from 19 cents to 20 cents per pound. The proposed \$5.00 boarding fee for 1986 represents a 33% increase over the present \$3.75 fee, but a survey of the Lower Mainland S.P.C.A. facilities indicated that \$5.00 was the average rate charged. The proposed changes in the fee structure for all dog fees would increase revenue by an estimated \$1,500 in 1986.

For bicycle fees it is recommended that the first time fees for registration with the special driver's licence number imprinted, be nil for 1986, as reported to Council on 1985 September 30 (Item 16, Report No. 61). It is recommended that the renewal licence fee for non-special registration numbers be increased from \$2.00 to \$3.00. Issues of duplicates for those who lose their licences will increase from \$.50 to \$1.00. The waiving of collections for first time registration with the special number is expected to result in a loss of revenue of about \$6,500 in 1986.

REPORT

ANIMAL CONTROL

1. BY-LAW

The Burnaby Dog Tax and Pound and Animal Regulation By-law 1972, No. 6191, provides for the licencing of dogs; impounding of dogs and other animals running at large; disposal of unlicensed dogs; cremation of animal remains, and establishes the appropriate fees.

2. FEES

A 4% increase in licence fees, a 4% increase in impoundment fees and violation tickets, and an increase of 1 cent per pound or a 50 cent increase to the present minimum charge of \$4.50 for cremation disposal fees, is proposed for 1986. These fee increases are necessary to offset expected operating cost increases for our animal control program, the majority of which are services supplied by the S.P.C.A. under contract. Cremation fees are based on delivery of animal remains to the animal shelter on Norland Avenue.

The proposed fees for 1986 compared to the current fees are as follows:

	<u>Proposed 1986</u>	<u>Current 1985</u>
<u>i) Dog Licence Fees</u>		
Male dog	\$28.00	\$26.00
Neutered male dog	11.00	10.50
Female dog	28.00	26.50
Spayed female dog	11.00	10.50
<u>ii) Impoundment Fees</u>		
Licensed dog	29.00	27.00
Unlicensed dog	46.00 plus licence fee	44.00 plus licence fee
<u>Violation Tickets</u>		
Licensed dog	29.00	28.00
Unlicensed dog	46.00 plus licence fee	44.00 plus licence fee
<u>Board Fees - daily</u>	5.00	3.75
<u>iii) Cremation Disposal Fees</u>		
Commercial and private users	.20 per pound minimum charge of \$5.00	.19 per pound minimum charge of \$4.50

Certification of sterilization must be provided to establish eligibility for the spayed or neutered rate. Dogs which are too old or have been medically certified as physically unable to undergo the surgical process of sterilization are eligible for the proposed \$11.00 rate. Also, dog owners who have their currently licenced pet sterilized during the year may apply for a \$17.00 refund of the unsterilized licence fee.

Application of the proposed fees is expected to increase dog licence revenue by \$3,325 or about 4% over the 1985 revenue. This amount will be included in the 1986 provisional budget.

BICYCLE LICENCES

1. BY-LAW

The Burnaby Bicycle Licencing By-law 1973, No. 6253, and By-law No. 6747, provide for the collection of licence fees from and the issuance of licences to any person who owns a bicycle used on a highway.

2. FEES

In 1985, the cost of a bicycle licence was \$2.00. In addition, if an unlicensed bicycle was recovered, the owner had to buy a licence for his/her recovered bicycle. In the Community Counter-Crime Program reported to Council on 1985 September 30 (Item 16, Report No. 61), it was recommended that all first time registrations with the special driver's licence number imprinted be waived the licence fee for the balance of 1985 and for the years 1986, 1987 and 1988, the time estimated to register all bicycles in Burnaby with the new numbers. The fee schedule shows that first time registrations with the new imprinted numbers be nil for 1986. There will still be owners of bicycles who will be applying for a licence without the special counter-crime number. It is recommended that the licence fee, which for the last 12 years has been \$2.00, be increased to \$3.00 for 1986, the updated fee being more indicative of the costs of licence issue. This fee, unless increased for 1987, will also apply in 1987 to the owners of bicycles with the new counter-crime numbers. Issues of duplicate licences for those losing their originals will increase from \$.50 to \$1.00. The waiving of collections for first time registration with the special number is expected to result in a loss of revenue of about \$6,500 in 1986 and will be reflected in the 1986 provisional budget.

Advertisement of the changes to the fee structure will be placed in a local newspaper.

It is recommended that the fees as set out in Item 2 for animal control, and Item 2 for bicycles, be implemented effective 1986 January 01.



Howard Karras
DIRECTOR FINANCE

cc: Municipal Solicitor

