

TO: CITY MANAGER
FROM: DIRECTOR FINANCE
SUBJECT: 2000 ANIMAL CONTROL FEES
PURPOSE: To obtain Council approval of 2000 fees.

1999 September 20
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RECOMMENDATION

1. **THAT** the Burnaby Animal Control Bylaw 1991, No. 9609, be amended to provide for the fees outlined in Schedules A and B of this report, effective 2000 January 1.

REPORT

This report recommends Council approval of increases for dog licence, impound and disposal fees. The fee increases would be the first since 1996 and would offset changes in the animal control expenditure and revenue levels that have occurred since then.

The proposed 2000 fees are shown compared to the current fees in Schedules A and B ***attached***. The licence fee for spayed/neutered and unaltered dogs would increase \$0.75 and \$4.30, respectively, over 1999 (if the licence is purchased prior to 2000 March 1). After March 1, dog licence fees would increase by \$10 for those owners choosing to licence later in the year. As a result of these increases, total revenue would increase by approximately \$13,000 and would be added to the 2000 Provisional Budget.

The proposed dog licence fees are slightly lower than the regional average, if purchased before March 1, and the proposed impound fees would be in line with the same. The proposed increase in the vicious dog impound fee provides for greater incentive for owners to control aggressive dogs. The animal control fees have been established to provide fair and equitable fees to all dog owners. More emphasis is placed on owners who contravene the bylaw so that they are encouraged to handle their animals in a responsible manner.

Advertisements of the new animal control fees would be placed in the *InfoBurnaby* and in local newspapers.


for Rick Earle
DIRECTOR FINANCE

CMC:dh
Attachment

cc City Solicitor

SCHEDULE "A"

The proposed animal control fees for 2000, compared to the current 1999 fees.

DOG LICENCE FEES

	Current 1999 (After Mar. 1)		Proposed 2000 (After Mar. 1)	
Spayed/neutered dog	\$14.25	(\$17.85)	\$15.00	(\$25.00)
Unaltered dog	\$35.70	(\$46.00)	\$40.00	(\$50.00)

SCHEDULE "B"

IMPOUND FEES

	Current 1999	Proposed 2000
Licensed Dog		
First Offense	\$ 31.60	\$ 35.00
Second Offense	\$ 63.25	\$ 70.00
Subsequent Offenses	\$ 127.50	\$ 140.00
Unlicensed Dog		
First Offense	\$ 63.25 *	\$ 70.00 *
Second Offense	\$ 127.50 *	- -
Subsequent Offenses	\$ 190.00 *	- -
* Plus dog licence fee		
Vicious Dog		
First Offense	\$ 112.20	\$ 200.00
Subsequent Offences	\$ 224.50	\$ 400.00

DAILY BOARD FEES

Dogs	\$ 7.15	\$ 8.00
Cats	\$ 3.00	\$ 4.00

CREMATION DISPOSAL

Per Pound	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.40
Minimum Charge	\$ 7.15	\$ 8.00

