

ORDINANCE NO. 1697

AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE #1640

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PRICHARD, ALABAMA,
THAT SECTION 3 OF ORDINANCE #1640 IS AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 3. REGISTRATION AND LICENSE REQUIRED.

It shall be unlawful, and a violation of this ordinance, for any owner or person in charge to possess, keep, harbor or maintain any dog or cat within the police jurisdiction of the City of Prichard that does not have attached to it a dog or cat license tag, with appropriate decal, issued in accordance with the provisions of this article.

The owner or person in charge of every dog or cat more than three (3) months of age shall register the same as to name, sex, breed, description, owner's name, phone number and address. Such registration shall be done within thirty (30) days of the possession of the dog or cat by the owner or person in charge. Failure to timely register the dog or cat shall subject the owner or person in charge to a \$10.00 penalty in addition to the license fees required hereunder.

At the time of such registration the owner or person in charge shall obtain a license for such dog or cat issued by the Animal Control Officer or his agent and with the exception of owners or persons in charge 65 years of age or older, shall pay a license fee as follows:

Unspayed or unneutered	
male or female	\$6.00
Spayed or neutered	
male or female	\$3.00

The owner or person in charge 65 years of age or older, shall pay a license fee as follows:

Unspayed or unneutered	
<u>male or female</u>	<u>\$3.00</u>
Spayed or neutered	
<u>male or female</u>	<u>\$1.50</u>

At the time of the issuance of the license, such owner or person in charge shall be issued by the Animal Control Officer or his agent a metal tag or decal suitable for affixing to the rabies tag required by State law as evidence of such license. The tag shall be affixed by the owner or person in charge to the rabies tag required by State law and shall be serially numbered bearing the same number and year as the license bears. One such tag or decal shall be issued by the

City Animal Control Office for the appropriate calendar year for each dog or cat for which application for such tag or decal is made. Such tag or decal shall be attached to a collar or harness worn by the dog or cat for which the license and tag are issued at all times, unless otherwise provided herein. In the event that the license tag or decal is lost during the year for which it was procured, the person to whom it was issued may obtain a duplicate by paying the City Animal Control Office an issuance fee of two dollars (\$2.00) except that persons who are 65 years of age or older shall pay an issuance fee of \$1.00. The license issued pursuant to this section shall expire on December 31 of the year of issuance, and shall be renewed on an annual basis. The license may be renewed without penalty prior to February 1 following the expiration date. A late charge of \$10.00 shall be assessed for any license not timely renewed except that persons 65 years or age or older shall be assessed a late fee of \$5.00. The shape and number, or the color, of the metal tag or decal shall be changed each year from that of the preceding year. No license tag shall be issued for any dog or cat until it has been inoculated against rabies in accordance with the laws of the State, and, at the time of making application for the license, a rabies inoculation certificate not over one year old and covering the particular dog or cat sought to be licensed shall be exhibited and approved as a prerequisite to issuance of the license.

The provisions of this section shall apply to the owners of dogs or cats which are kept or are to be kept within the police jurisdiction of the City of Prichard for a period to exceed thirty days. No license shall be required for seeing eye dogs or governmental police dogs.

Provided, however, that where a license issued for a dog or cat too young to be subjected to alteration because it is less than six months old at the time said license is issued, and said dog or cat is altered subsequent to the beginning of the next license year, upon proof of said alteration the Supervisor may issue said license free for one license year period only.

The owner or person in charge shall, at all times, except when the dog or cat is under restraint or is involved in supervised obedience training or an American Kennel Club Dog Show, keep the tag affixed to said dog. It shall be unlawful for any owner to fail to comply fully with all requirements of this section by failing to obtain a license or otherwise. It shall also be unlawful for any person, except the owner or agent, and upon his own premises, to remove a tag from a dog or cat tagged under the provision of this section, place a tag upon any dog or cat for which said tag was not issued, to procure a tag from the City of its agent by fraud or misrepresentation, or to disfigure or alter the words or figures upon a tag.

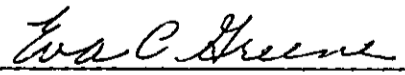
This Amendment to Ordinance #1640 shall have full force and effect upon its approval as required by law.

ADOPTED this 17th day of January, 1989.

APPROVED:


MARGIE MOBERG WILSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:


EVA C. GREENE, CITY CLERK-TREASURER