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ORDINANCE 10-16

TO AMEND TITLE 7 OF THE BLOOMINGTON MUNICIPAL CODE ENTITLED "ANIMALS"
(Adding Chapter 7.54 "Miscellaneous Fees")

WHEREAS, the City of Bloomington Animal Care and Control Department has seen an increase in the number of animals surrendered to the City of Bloomington Animal Shelter by individuals who are not residents of Monroe County; and

WHEREAS, the increase in the number of animals being surrendered to the City of Bloomington Animal Shelter by individuals who are not residents of Monroe County is putting a financial strain on the operations of the City of Bloomington Animal Shelter; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bloomington Animal Care and Control Department believes assessing a surrender fee to non-Monroe County residents will lessen the financial strain currently being experienced by the City of Bloomington Animal Shelter; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bloomington Animal Care and Control Department regularly receives requests from individuals to utilize the City of Bloomington Animal Shelter incinerator; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bloomington Animal Care and Control Department believes assessing a fee for the use of the City of Bloomington Animal Shelter incinerator will provide much-needed revenue for the Animal Shelter;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, MONROE COUNTY, INDIANA, THAT:

SECTION I. Title 7 of the Bloomington Municipal Code entitled "Animals" shall be amended to add Chapter 7.54 "Miscellaneous Fees." This Chapter shall appear in the table of contents for the Title 7.

SECTION II. Chapter 7.54 shall contain the following sections:

7.54.010	Surrender Fees
7.54.020	Incinerator Fee

SECTION III. Section 7.54.010 shall read as follows:

7.54.010 Surrender Fees

(a) The fee charged to a resident of any county other than Monroe County who surrenders an animal(s) to the City of Bloomington Animal Shelter shall be as listed in the table below.

Dogs and cats over 6 months of age	$20.00
Litters of puppies or kittens with 5 or fewer animals, all of which are younger than 6 months of age	$25.00
Litters of puppies or kittens with more than 5 animals, all of which are younger than 6 months of age	$35.00
Animals other than dogs and cats	$10.00

(b) If an animal over 6 months of age is surrendered with a litter, both the $20.00 adult fee and the litter fee shall be charged.

(c) Surrender fees may be waived at the discretion of the Director of the Animal Care and Control Department, or his/her designee(s), provided the Director believes waiver of the surrender fee is in the best interests of the animal(s) being surrendered.

SECTION IV. Section 7.54.020 shall read as follows:

7.54.020 Incinerator Fee

The fee to use the City of Bloomington Animal Shelter incinerator shall be $.15/lb. The Monroe County Highway Department is exempt from paying this fee.

SECTION V. If any section, sentence or provision of this ordinance, or the application thereof to any person or circumstances shall be declared invalid, such invalidity shall not affect any of the other sections, sentences, provisions, or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable.

SECTION VI: This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from its passage by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington and approval of the Mayor.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 1st day of DECEMBER, 2010.

ISABEL PIEDMONT-SMITH, President
Bloomington Common Council

ATTEST:

REGINA MOORE, Clerk
City of Bloomington

PRESENTED by me to the Mayor of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 2nd day of DECEMBER, 2010.

REGINA MOORE, Clerk
City of Bloomington

SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon this 2nd day of DECEMBER, 2010.

MARK KRUZAN, Mayor
City of Bloomington

SYNOPSIS

This ordinance amends Title 7 "Animals" of the Bloomington Municipal Code to add Chapter 7.54, entitled, "Miscellaneous Fees." Chapter 7.54 creates two new fees: one for the surrender of animals from non-Monroe County residents and one for the use of the City of Bloomington Animal Shelter incinerator. The surrender fees range from $10-$35 depending on the species, age and quantity of the animal(s) surrendered. The incinerator fee is set at $.15/lb; the Monroe County Highway Department shall be exempt from this fee requirement.

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