

**ORDINANCE 2006-Or-\_\_\_\_**  
**By Samuels**

**Amending Title 4, Chapter 62 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Animals and Fowl: In General.**

The City Council of the City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That Section 62 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows.

**62.10. Enforcement by department of health.** ~~The department of health shall enforce the provisions of Chapters 64 and 66.~~ Enforcement by Minneapolis Animal Care & Control. Minneapolis Animal Care & Control shall enforce the provisions of Title 4. (Code 1960, As Amend., § 812.010; §Ord. of 6-13-75, § 2)

Section 2, That Section 62 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows.

**62.20. Animal control officer; animal wardens.** ~~The commissioner of health~~ Minneapolis Animal Care & Control may appoint or designate an inspector to be detailed as animal control officer to enforce the provisions of this chapter and to perform such duties in connection with the enforcement thereof as the ~~commissioner of health~~ Manager of Minneapolis Animal Care & Control or the Code of Ordinances may direct. ~~The commissioner of health~~ Minneapolis Animal Care & Control may employ, at such times as ~~he or she may~~ deemed necessary, persons to be designated as animal wardens and equipment for the purpose of capturing and conveying to an animal ~~pound~~ shelter all animals in violation of this Code. Such animal wardens shall be under the supervision of the animal control officer and the ~~commissioner of health~~ Manager of Minneapolis Animal Care & Control. Such animal wardens are authorized to issue violation tags and to carry and display appropriate badges or identification. (Code 1960, As Amend., § 812.020; Ord. of 6-13-75, § 2)

Section 3, That Section 62 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows.

**62.30. Interfering with animal wardens.** No person shall in any manner molest, hinder or interfere with the Manager of Minneapolis Animal Care & Control ~~commissioner of health~~, his or her agents, any police officer, or any animal warden employed directly or by contract with the city to capture animals and convey them to the animal ~~pound~~ shelter while such person is engaged in such occupation. (Code 1960, As Amend., § 812.030; Ord. of 6-13-75, § 2)

Section 4, That Section 62 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows.

**62.40. Release from shelter.** (a) All animals conveyed to the shelter shall be kept with kind treatment and sufficient food and water for their comfort, at least five (5) days, unless sooner reclaimed by their owner as herein provided. Any animal who has not bitten or been bitten and is thereby subject to the provisions of Chapter 66 may be released upon payment of a fifty dollar (\$50.00) impoundment fee, for the first impoundment within a twelve (12) month period, and upon furnishing of proof of a license or purchasing a license and upon showing a certificate of vaccination as required by sections 66.10, 66.20, and 66.25 or agreeing in writing to obtain such a certificate of vaccination within seven (7) days of release. The second impoundment fee within a twelve (12) month period shall be seventy-five dollars (\$75.00). The

third impoundment fee within a twelve (12) month period shall be one hundred dollars (\$100.00). If a license is purchased, an additional ten dollar (\$10.00) penalty fee will be charged unless such purchase constitutes a renewal within the time allowed in section 64.30.

(b) In addition to subsection (a), the owner of any animal which is lawfully impounded shall pay all fees and expenses related to such impoundment whether or not the animal is claimed. These fees include, but are not limited to, vaccination, examination, any medical treatment fees for the animal, and board costs of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per calendar day.

~~(c) Upon redemption of any lawfully impounded dog or cat over six (6) months of age found at large and not previously sterilized, the owner shall deposit with the animal control shelter a sterilization deposit fee. The fee shall be set by the director of licenses and consumer services and shall be in addition to any other redemption fees set forth in subsections (a) and (b). Such sterilization deposit shall be fully refundable upon proof that the animal has been sterilized by a licensed veterinarian within forty-five (45) days of the redemption date. Such sterilization deposit shall also be refundable if the owner submits, within forty-five (45) days, a written certification from a licensed veterinarian stating that, due to health considerations, the animal should not be sterilized. The deposit required by this section shall be forfeited to the city if such proof of sterilization or written certification has not been presented to animal control within the specified period. (Code 1960, As Amend., § 812.040; Ord. of 6-13-75, § 2; 81-Or-274, § 1, 11-13-81; 2000-Or-005, § 1, 1-21-00; 2002-Or-154, § 1, 10-11-02; 2004-Or-091, § 1, 8-20-04)~~

Section 5, That Section 62 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows.

**62.70. Dispersal of fees.** ~~The commissioner of health~~ Minneapolis Animal Care & Control shall pay over monthly to the city finance officer all moneys received for the releasing of animals from the pound. (Code 1960, As Amend., § 812.070; Ord. of 6-13-75, § 2; Pet. No. 248858, § 1, 3-31-89)

Section 6, That Section 62 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows.

**62.80. Appropriation for animal pound** Minneapolis Animal Care & Control. There shall be included in the annual appropriation for Minneapolis Animal Care & Control ~~the department of health~~, sufficient funds to pay the expense of maintaining the animal ~~pound~~ shelter and employing persons to capture and convey animals to such ~~pound~~ animal shelter and other expenses incident to the enforcement of this title. (Code 1960, As Amend., § 812.080; Ord. of 6-13-75, § 2)