Chapter 20.32 Fees and Penalties

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20.32.010 Animal control fee schedule. a. The City licensing and shelter fees shall be set by City Council Resolution, shall be included in the City of Homer's Fee Schedule and may be amended by City Council Resolution.
b. All impounded animals must be properly licensed and have current rabies vaccinations prior to being released. Owners of impounded animals will be charged a daily boarding fee for every full day that the animal stays in the shelter. Vaccination and license fees shall be the owner's responsibility.
c. Animals being adopted shall be spayed or neutered, properly licensed and vaccinated. Associated fees shall be the responsibility of the adopting party.
d. The City shall charge for any additional expense incurred by the City in the actual impoundment, transportation, medical care, housing or feeding of any animal; which expenses shall be paid in full prior to the animal's release.
e. Disposition of fees. All license and shelter fees collected pursuant to this chapter shall be paid into the general fund of the City. (Ord. 01-54, 2001; Ord. 88-1 (part), 1988).

20.32.020 Penalty provisions. a. Penalties for violation of any section of this title shall be as follows, unless otherwise noted:
1. Class A infraction $25.00
2. Class B infraction $50.00
3. Class C infraction $100.00
4. Class D infraction Shall be punishable by a fine of not less than $100.00 nor more than $300.00. The unsuspended portion of the fine shall not be less than $100.00.
5. Class E infraction Punishable under the general penalty provision of this Code, Section 1.16.010.
b. Each act of violation and every day upon which such violation occurs constitutes a separate offense.
c. The court may, in addition to the penalty imposed, order the defendant to pay restitution to the City for any costs necessarily incurred by the City in caring for, feeding, transporting, or housing the animal. (Ord. 88-1 (part), 1988).

20.32.030 Civil penalties. In addition to, or as an alternative to the criminal penalty mentioned in Section 20.32.020 of this chapter, any person violating any provision of this title shall be subject to a civil penalty of not more than five hundred dollars. Each and every day that such violation continues shall be deemed a separate and distinct violation. In addition, a civil injunction or temporary restraining order may be obtained in order to obtain immediate compliance with the provisions of this chapter. The City may seek an award of reasonable attorney's fees and costs from the court in prosecuting such an action. (Ord. 88-1 (part), 1988).

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