

ORDINANCE #590

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE GRIMES CODE OF ORDINANCE
CHAPTER 56, DOG AND CAT LICENSE REQUIRED.**

BE IN ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRIMES, IOWA

SECTION 1. Purpose. The purpose of this Ordinance is to amend the Grimes Code of Ordinance Chapter 56 to add licensing of cats as well as increase the fees for licenses.

SECTION 2. Amendment. This chapter shall read as follows

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56.01 ANNUAL LICENSE REQUIRED.

~~1. Every owner of a dog over the age of four (4) months shall procure a dog license from the Clerk on or before the first day of January of each year.~~

~~(Code of Iowa, Sec. 351.1 and 351.3)~~

~~2. Such license may be procured after January 1 and at any time for a dog which has come into the possession or ownership of the applicant or which has reached the age of three (3) months after said date.~~

~~(Code of Iowa, Sec. 351.4)~~

~~3. The owner of a dog for which a license is required shall apply to the Clerk on forms provided by the Clerk.~~

~~(Code of Iowa, Sec. 351.3)~~

~~4. The form of the application shall state the breed, sex, age, color, markings, and name, if any, of the dog, and the address of the owner and shall be signed by the owner. The application shall also state the date of~~

~~the most recent rabies vaccination, the type of vaccine administered and the date the dog shall be revaccinated:~~

~~(Code of Iowa, Sec. 351.5)~~

~~5. All licenses shall expire on January 1 of the year following the date of issuance.~~

~~(Code of Iowa, Sec. 351.9)~~

Any person owning or harboring a dog or cat of either sex over six months of age shall procure a license therefor from the City Clerk between January 1 and March 31 of each year, or within thirty days of the date any dog or cat is acquired or brought into the City.

56.02 LICENSE FEES. ~~The annual license fee shall be as follows:~~

_____ Spayed dog.....	_____ \$ 1.00
_____ Male dog.....	_____ \$ 1.00
_____ Female dog, not spayed.....	_____ \$ 3.00

The annual license fee for each dog or cat is subject to licensing under the provisions of this chapter is five (\$5.00) per year, and such fee shall be paid on or before March 31 of each year or within thirty days after acquisition of such dog or cat.

56.03 LICENSE TAGS. Upon receipt of the application and fee, the Clerk shall deliver or mail to the owner a license which shall be in the form of a metal tag stamped with the serial number of the license as shown on the record book of the Clerk, the year in which it is issued, and the name of the City. The license tag shall be securely fastened by the owner to a collar or harness which shall be worn at all times by the dog for which issued. A license issued for one dog shall not be transferable to another dog. Upon the expiration of the license the owner shall remove said tag from the dog.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 351.6, 351.7, 351.8 and 351.13)

56.04 LICENSE RECORDS. The Clerk shall keep a book to be known as the record of licenses which shall show:

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 351.11 and 351.22)

1. The serial number and date of each application for a license.

2. The description of the dog or cat as specified in the application, together with the name of the owner of the dog or cat.
3. The date when each license tag is issued and the serial number of each tag, the date of the most recent rabies vaccination, the type of vaccine administered, and the date the dog or cat shall be revaccinated.
4. The amount of all fees paid.
5. Such other data as may be required by law.

56.05 IMMUNIZATION. Before a license is issued, the owner shall furnish a veterinarian's certificate showing that the dog or cat for which the license is sought has been vaccinated against rabies, and that the vaccination does not expire within six months from the effective date of the dog or cat license. A tag showing evidence of proper vaccination shall at all times be attached to the collar of the dog or cat.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 351.34, 351.35)

A. Vaccinations Required

1. Dogs. Every owner of a dog shall obtain a rabies vaccination for such animal. It is unlawful for any person to own or have a dog in said person's possession, six months of age or over, which has not been vaccinated against rabies.
2. Cats. It is unlawful for any owner to keep a cat in said person's possession, six months of age or over, which has not been vaccinated against rabies and distemper.
3. Certificate Required. The Clerk shall not issue a dog or cat license unless a certificate is filed showing that the dog or cat to be licensed is vaccinated.
4. Owner Liability. All vaccinations required under the provisions of this chapter shall be conducted by a licensed veterinarian at the expense of the owner of said animal.

56.06 DUPLICATE TAGS. Upon the filing of an affidavit that the license tag has been lost or destroyed, the owner may obtain another tag and the Clerk shall enter in the license record the new number assigned.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 351.14)

56.07 KENNEL DOGS. Dogs kept in state or federally licensed kennels, which are kept or raised solely for the bona fide purpose of sale and which are kept under constant restraint, are not subject to the provisions of this chapter.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 351.1)

1. No license shall be required for kennel dogs. All kennel dogs over six months of age shall have a rabies vaccination by a licensed veterinarian not less than once every two years if the vaccination is by modified live virus vaccine of egg embryo origin, or one year if by killed tissue vaccine.

2. The owner of any kennel within the City shall be required to register said owner's name and business address with the Clerk, and shall comply with this Code of Ordinances and other regulations.

3. Commercially built kennels where permitted cannot be located closer than 200 feet to the boundary of the nearest adjacent residential lot.

4. A kennel, for the purpose of this section, means the business of keeping or raising four or more kennel dogs, which are kept under constant restraint, solely for the bona fide purpose of sale.

SECTION 3. Repealer. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of these ordinances are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. Severability Clause. If any section, provision or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision, or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 5. Effective date. This ordinance shall be in effect after its final passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

Passed/failed by the City Council on this _____ day of _____ and approved on this _____ day of _____, 2011.

Thomas M. Armstrong,
Mayor

Rochelle Williams, City Clerk

