

COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR, PERSONNEL, AUDITS, AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE relative to authorizing a registration fee for maintaining four to five cats.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. APPROVE a registration fee of \$10 annually for maintaining more than three cats up to five in accordance with Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 53.06.1.
2. DIRECT that funds generated from cat registration fees be deposited into the Animal Sterilization Fund for cats.
3. REQUEST the City Attorney to prepare and present an Ordinance to amend LAMC Section 53.12 consistent with Recommendation Nos. 1 and 2.
4. INSTRUCT the Department of Animal Services (DAS) to implement a registration fee of \$10 annually for any person who keeps or maintains more than three cats and up to five cats in accordance with LAMC Section 53.06.1.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The DAS reports that funds generated by the registration fee of more than three cats up to five will be deposited into the Animal Sterilization Fund and designated to be for cats' sterilizations.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On February 17, 2021, Committee Chair considered a February 2, 2021 DAS report relative to authorizing a registration fee for maintaining four to five cats. According to the DAS, on January 26, 2021, it provided the Board of Animal Services Commissioners (Board) with a report to authorize a registration fee for maintaining more than three cats up to five. At the meeting, the Board authorized a registration fee for maintaining more than three cats up to five in accordance with LAMC Section 53.06.1. The proposed registration fee is designed to allow households who maintain more than three cats and up to five cats to register with the Department to assist in data collection and to determine if additional changes should be made. This also allows the registration to be used to help other City residents get their cats sterilized. After consideration, the Committee Chair moved to recommend approval of the recommendations as detailed in the February 2, 2021 DAS report and detailed in the above recommendations. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

COUNCILMEMBER PAUL KORETZ, CHAIR

PERSONNEL, AUDITS, AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
KORETZ:	YES
HARRIS-DAWSON:	ABSENT
BONIN:	ABSENT
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