

I MOVE to amend Ordinance 24-066, as follows:

- MSB 24.10.010(A), Licensing; Dogs and Cats, by changing it to read:
 - (A) **Optional License required.** Within the borough, ~~no person shall own any dog or cat over the age of six months without~~ **it is optional to licensening** each dog or cat. A separate kennel or cattery license is required for each species type of five or more animals over the age of six months.
 - (C) **Immunization Required.** ~~The borough shall not license a dog or cat unless the dog or cat has been~~ **Within the borough, all dogs and cats over the age of six months must be** vaccinated with a state of Alaska approved rabies vaccine by a licensed veterinarian, or by a state of Alaska lay rabies vaccinator, and the period of immunization has not expired. Proof of immunization shall be a completed rabies vaccination certificate in the form required by the state of Alaska.
 - (1) If ownership of an animal is transferred and the animal has a current rabies immunization, proof of transfer of ownership or proof of the animal's identification must be provided when licensing the animal.
 - (F) **Violation.** Violation of subsection ~~(A)~~ **(C)** of this section is an infraction.
- MSB 24.20.020 Licensing; Kennels and Catteries by changing section (A) to read:
 - (A) License required. In addition to the requirements of MSB 24.10.010**(c)**, no person shall own or operate a kennel or cattery or own five or more dogs or cats over the age of six months without licensing as a kennel or cattery operator for each location of a kennel or cattery. This section does not apply to the registration of sled dogs if there is a current mushing facility license as per MSB 24.07 in place for the facility at issue. A separate kennel or cattery license is required for each species type of five or more animals over the age of six months. Dual licensing shall be made available to persons owning both a kennel and a cattery. Only one licensing fee will be required if applying for both licenses simultaneously.
- MSB 24.10.020 Licensing; Kennels and Catteries, by changing section (G)(2)(c) to read:
 - (c) unpaid animal licensing fees **under this title**, or unpaid fines for violations of this title.
- MSB 24.10.030, Licensing; Updating Information, by changing it to read:
 - It is the responsibility of every ~~dog or cat owner and~~ kennel or cattery operator to update and provide the borough with current license information regarding the items set forth in ~~MSB 24.10.010(B) and~~ MSB 24.10.020(B). Violation of this provision is an infraction.
- MSB 24.10.050 Identification Tags and Microchip Identification for Dogs and Cats, by changing it to read:
 - (A) Identification tags. Each licensed dog and cat shall **may** be issued a tag with an identification number and telephone number of the animal care and regulation office **upon request by the owner**.

- (B) Tag placement. The identification tag shall be securely fastened to the dog's or cat's choke chain, collar, or harness, which shall **should** be worn at all times when the dog or cat is off the owner's property, except when a dog or cat is in competition, training, in use as a police dog by law enforcement personnel, or while performing recognized sporting activities, including, but not limited to, dog mushing.
- ⊖ (C) Microchip identification. The dog or cat owner may have the dog or cat inserted with a microchip identification approved and inserted by the borough with the borough identification number. The microchip identification shall **should** be inserted in a location specified by the chief animal care and regulation officer. Animals microchipped by the borough shall have lifetime licensing, ~~as long as rabies vaccinations are maintained as current. If rabies vaccinations lapse, lifetime licensing is forfeited and the animal must be relicensed.~~
- (D) Performance of license tattoos. A tattoo or microchip implant may be performed in a place other than the borough animal care and regulation shelter by someone other than a borough animal care and regulation officer, at the owner's expense. ~~if~~ **The owner should** notify ~~ies~~ the borough of the identification number and the location of the tattoo or microchip.
- MSB 24.10.070, Fees, by changing it to read:
 - (A) License fees:
 - (1) The **optional** license fee for a dog or cat shall be set by assembly resolution if the animal is spayed or neutered. For animals that are not spayed or neutered the **optional** license fee shall be set by assembly resolution. The license tag shall remain current for three years. If the animal is spayed or neutered and microchipped, the lifetime **optional** licensing fee shall be set by assembly resolution. For animals that are microchipped but are not spayed or neutered the **optional** lifetime licensing fee shall be set by assembly resolution.
 - (2) The **optional** licensing fee for an animal that is newly adopted from the animal care and regulation shelter shall be set by assembly resolution. The license tag shall be current for the life of the animal since the animal is microchipped before leaving the shelter.
 - (3) To license five or more dogs or five or more cats housed in the same location, a kennel or cattery license is required. The fee for licensing of the kennel or cattery shall be set by assembly resolution. There is no charge for licensing each animal listed under a kennel or cattery license. The kennel or cattery license shall last for three years.
- MSB 24.10.090, Exemptions, by changing it to read:
 - ⊖ (A) The **optional** licensing requirements for dogs and cats under this chapter do not apply to any dog or cat listed in a licensed cattery or kennel, ~~;~~ or a dog or cat

kept within the borough for less than 30 calendar days. All such dogs and cats are subject to all other provisions of this title. ~~This subsection does not allow a 30-day grace period for compliance with licensing requirements for dog and cat owners within the borough. This subsection is an exemption only for dogs and cats kept by a licensed kennel or cattery or temporarily within the boundaries of the borough.~~

- (B) The Humane Society shelters, Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals shelters, and hospitals and clinics operated by licensed veterinarians for the care and treatment of animals are exempted from the kennel and cattery licensing requirements set forth in MSB ~~24.10.010~~ and ~~24.10.020~~. However, the shelters, hospitals, and clinics are subject to all other requirements of this title.
- MSB 24.10.120, Distribution of Title 24, Animal Care and Regulation, by changing it to read:
 - Every owner **optionally** licensing a dog or a cat, or a kennel or a cattery, shall be furnished a copy of Title 24: Animal Care and Regulation, and acknowledge in writing the receipt thereof.
- MSB 24.15.050(A), Adoption, by changing it to read:
 - (A) ~~In addition to the licensing provisions set forth in MSB 24.10,~~ No dog or cat over the age of six months shall be adopted from the shelter unless the prospective owner agrees to have the animal spayed or neutered. The animal care manager may deny a request to adopt an animal if any person living in the prospective adoptive household has been convicted of failure to provide humane animal care or cruelty to animals in any jurisdiction, including the borough.
- MSB 24.20.020, Rabies Immunization, by changing it to read:
 - (A) A person may not keep, own, or harbor a dog or cat over six months of age unless the dog or cat has been immunized for rabies in accordance with the laws of the state and borough ordinance. The person is required to provide proof of the rabies certificate to the borough in the form required by the state of Alaska upon application to **optionally** license any dog or cat, or upon notification by the chief animal care and regulation officer. Violation of this provision is an infraction. It shall be an affirmative defense that the animal was currently vaccinated for rabies at the time that proof of the rabies certification was requested by the chief animal care and regulation officer.
- MSB 24.26.30(A)(1) investigation and classification of animals by changing it to read:
 - (1) No other conditions of release shall be required if the incident is classified as accidental, except for the supervised quarantine provisions set forth in MSB 24.20.050, ~~licensing requirements set forth in MSB 24.10~~ and fee and expense requirements set forth in MSB 24.15.030.
- MSB 24.26.040(C) regulation of classified animals by changing it to read:
 - (C) *Microchip, **and** immunization, ~~and licensing requirements.~~* To ensure correct identification, all classified animals shall be implanted with a permanent microchip to identify the animal and its owner. All animals shall be vaccinated with an Alaska State approved rabies vaccine and all vaccinations appropriate to species. ~~In addition, all dogs and cats shall be licensed in accordance with MSB 24.10.010.~~

- MSB 24.40.050, Fines for Infractions, by deleting the entire row for fines related to MSB 24.10.010(A), Failure to Register Dog or Cat
- Delete section 7 and 9 of the ordinance.