

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS

ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY

DEPT: Animal Services

BOARD AGENDA # \*B-22

Urgent

Routine

AGENDA DATE June 3, 2008

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES  NO

4/5 Vote Required YES  NO

(Information Attached)

SUBJECT:

Approval to Set a Public Hearing on July 15, 2008 at 6:35 p.m. to Introduce and Waive the First Reading of an Ordinance To Amend Chapter 7.50 Animal Services Fees, to Adopt Fees Set Forth in Department of Animal Services 2008 Fee Schedule, to Repeal Chapter 7.52 Veterinary Services and to Adopt a Two Tier Fee Schedule for the Stanislaus County Alternative to Euthanasia (SCATE) Program

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

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FISCAL IMPACT:

Animal Services is requesting amending fourteen existing fees, adding twelve new fees and the remaining fees collected by the Department will remain unchanged. These fees will generate approximately \$320,984 - \$534,708 of additional revenue on an annual basis. Currently the Department of Animal Services retains fees that are collected from city residents to offset shelter costs. The additional revenue will be included in the Animal Services 2008-2009 Final Budget. If approved, these fees will be effective 30 days after the adoption of the ordinance.

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BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2008-397

On motion of Supervisor Monteith, Seconded by Supervisor O'Brien

and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: O'Brien, Monteith, DeMartini and Chairman Mayfield

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: Grover

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

1) X Approved as recommended

2) Denied

3) Approved as amended

4) Other:

MOTION:

\* Please note that the table on page 7 of this staff report contains a typographical error regarding the proposed fee amounts. The correct fee amounts are as follows: "\$72.00 for Low income SCATE vouchers, and \$140.00 for Standard SCATE vouchers"

Christine Ferraro

ATTEST: CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

File No. ORD-55-H-5

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**FISCAL IMPACT:** Continued

This chart represents the overall estimated revenue increases in the Animal Services budget.

	<b>Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Actual Revenue</b>	<b>Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Revenue with proposed Fee increases</b>	<b>Estimated Revenue Increase</b>
Animal Services Fees	\$546,147	\$772,440	\$226,293
SCATE Fees	\$ 29,793	\$106,862 (Low)	\$ 77,069
		\$320,586 (Standard)	\$290,793
Vaccination/License fees	\$0	\$ 17,622	\$ 17,622
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$575,940</b>	<b>\$896,924 to \$1,110,648</b>	<b>\$320,984 - \$534,708</b>

**DISCUSSION:**

Animal Services fees were last updated in 2004. In 2005, the Board of Supervisors approved additional fees as part of the new Pet Overpopulation Ordinance.

A survey of the eight comparison counties has been completed and reveals that Stanislaus County generally charges fees that are 25% - 50% below the average by the comparison counties. It is notable that while Stanislaus County has the lowest adoption fees of seven of the eight comparison counties, we provide more services such as an Adoption Coupon and a free bag of dog or cat food with the adoption of a dog or cat than all the other counties.

In general, Animal Services is requesting to raise existing fees to the average or near average level of the comparison counties. The comparison counties survey results are attached as;

- Addendum A, "Adoption Fees Survey";
- Addendum B, "License Fees Survey",
- Addendum C, "Reclaim/Impound Fees Survey";
- Addendum D, "Miscellaneous Fees Survey"; and
- Addendum E "Vaccination Fee Survey".

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### **Amended Fees**

The specific fees that Animal Services is requesting to be amended are:

<b>Amended Fees</b>	<b>Current Fee</b>	<b>Proposed Fee</b>
Reclaimed/Impound fees for dog/cat 1 <sup>st</sup> time	\$35.00	\$40.00
Reclaim/Impound fees for dog/cat 2 <sup>nd</sup> time	\$55.00	\$65.00
Reclaim/Impound fees for small livestock	\$30.00	\$45.00
Reclaim/Impound fees for large livestock	\$50.00	\$75.00
Board and care of all animals	\$8.00/day	\$15.00/day
Quarantine fee	\$30.00	\$50.00
Microchip fee	\$17.00	\$20.00
Owner surrender fee	\$25.00	\$30.00
Routine Exam now called Level One Veterinary Care Fee	\$55.00	\$35.00
Extensive Care now called Level Three Veterinary Care Fee	\$110.00	\$135.00

On June 3, 2003 the owner surrender fee was adopted by the Board of Supervisors, per C.S. 843. However, the fee appears to have been omitted in error in the July 9, 2004 publication of the Animal Services fees ordinance. It is recommended that this omission be corrected as well as amending the fee.

### **Adoption Fees**

As noted earlier, Stanislaus County has the lowest adoption fees for both cats and dogs than seven of the eight comparison counties. If Stanislaus County were to raise its adoption fees to the average of the comparison counties, dog adoption fees would increase from \$75.00 to \$116.00 and cat adoption fees would rise from \$45.00 to \$82.00.

Animal Services recommends an increase to dog adoption fees from the current rate of \$75.00 to \$90.00, which will result in Stanislaus County still having a fee lower than seven of the eight comparison counties and providing an incentive to increase adoptions. The Department proposes to maintain cat adoption fees at the current fee if \$45.00, since the number of cat adoption rates over the last several years are significantly lower than the number of dog adoption rates. The department, therefore, would like to provide an incentive to increase adoptions.

<b>Amended Fee</b>	<b>Current Fee</b>	<b>Proposed Fee</b>
Dog Adoption Fees and Deposits	\$75.00	\$90.00

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Total revenue in Fiscal Year 2006-2007 for dog adoption fees was \$306,049. Total revenue for dog adoption fees with the new proposed fee schedule would be 409,942, for a net increase of \$103,893.

Pet Overpopulation Ordinance Fees

The Pet Overpopulation Ordinance was implemented in October 2005. One provision of that ordinance created an increased annual dog license fee, for an unaltered dog license of \$100.00. County policy was to instill greater responsibility to owners for having an unaltered dog by making the unaltered license over 80% more expensive than an altered license. This County policy was in keeping with existing State of California policy, which also sanctions having an unaltered animal, by (1) requiring adopted animals to be spayed or neutered and (2) imposing State fines on impounded animals that are unaltered. The existing spay and neuter fines in the current Title 7, Chapter 7.50, Section 7.50.030 are required by Food and Agriculture Code Sections 30804.7 and 31751.7. Those fines would remain the same as set forth in these code sections.

Animal Services compared the licensing patterns of altered licenses versus unaltered licenses for the time frame of October 2005 to March 2008 in an effort to determine the effectiveness of this component of the Pet Overpopulation Ordinance. The results of that review are attached as Addendum F, "Altered/Unaltered Licenses Issued Monthly Comparison Chart." During the first year of the ordinance the monthly number of unaltered licenses issued ranged from 802 – 441. As a percentage of all licenses issued per month, during that first year, unaltered licenses ranged from 27.9% to 35%. During the last twelve months, or the third year of the existence of the ordinance, the number of unaltered licenses issued per month dropped to 548 - 299 with the numbers totaling less than 400 per month during the last eight months. As a percentage of all licenses issued during the last twelve months, there was a decrease to a range of 24% to 17.7%.

Raising the license fee for an unaltered animal has gradually increased the percentage of licensed altered dogs from 70% to 82%. Therefore, Animal Services requests to further raise the license fees for unaltered dogs in an attempt to further achieve the State and County policy of having the maximum number of cats and dogs altered. The suggested fees are:

<b>Amended Fee</b>	<b>Current Fee</b>	<b>Proposed Fee</b>
Annual Dog License – Unaltered	\$100.00	\$150.00
Two Year dog License – Unaltered	\$180.00	\$250.00
Three Year License – Unaltered	\$260.00	\$350.00

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Total revenue in Fiscal Year 2006-2007 for all the fees for the categories discussed above was \$240,098. Total revenue for those same categories if these proposed fees had been in effect and the number of unaltered licenses decreased by 10% would have been \$362,498, for a net increase of \$122,400.

Over a period of years, if the unaltered license fee increases have the desired results, revenue in this category will begin to drop as pet owners begin to spay and neuter their animals and purchase \$12.00 licenses rather than \$150.00 licenses.

**New Fees**

As a result of hiring a full time County Veterinarian, Animal Services will be providing more in-house medical treatments and vaccinations to strays and impounded animals that ultimately will be reclaimed by owners. Costs would be recovered by the County when the owners reclaim their animal. These fees are based upon the County Veterinarian's estimate of actual costs for services provided. Animal Services has never charged for these services before, nor tracked them as individual expenditures, so there is no historical basis upon which to project an estimated amount of future revenue.

<b>New Fees</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Rabies Vaccination	\$6.00
DHPP Vaccination	\$10.00
FVR-CP Vaccination	\$10.00
Bordatella Fee	\$10.00
Deworming Fee	\$10.00
Frontline Flea Treatment	\$10.00
Level Two Veterinary Care Fee	\$60.00
Level Four Veterinary Care Fee	\$220.00
Level Five Veterinary Care Fee	\$370.00
Pick up or trip charges for large livestock	\$75.00

**Stanislaus Alternative to Euthansia (SCATE) Fees**

The SCATE program was first instituted in December 2001 with the original fee of \$30.00 per voucher. In March 2002 the fee was raised to \$40.00 and was last raised in July 2004 to \$50.00. Animal Services and the Northern San Joaquin Veterinary Medical Association (NSJVMA) negotiated a new fee structure for the fees private veterinarians could bill to Animal Services for providing spays and neuters pursuant to the SCATE vouchers. This new fee structure became effective July 1, 2007. The fee schedule is attached as Addendum G.

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When the fees veterinarians charged the County were raised, the County did not raise the price of the SCATE vouchers. For years the SCATE Program voucher fee combined with the existing spay and neuter fines in Section 7.50.030 collected since 2001 generated enough revenue to be self-sufficient. However, as veterinary medical costs increased, the number of vouchers sold increased, but SCATE voucher fees remained low, the County General Fund began to subsidize the program. With the higher veterinary fees listed in Addendum G, the average cost for spay and neuter soared to \$136.00 per surgery. Only \$15.00 (\$5.00 prior to August 2007) of the pet owners' \$50.00 SCATE voucher fee goes toward surgery costs. The remaining fee amount pays for licensing, microchipping and vaccinations.

Under the current fee structure, pet owners are only paying for 11% of their pet's surgery costs. While this is a huge incentive to purchase a SCATE voucher, it turns spay and neuter into a government responsibility rather than a pet owner responsibility.

The financial burden to the County was exacerbated between December 2006 to September 2007 when the SCATE vouchers were sold over the counter at Animal Services. Prior to that time, SCATE vouchers were only sold at the monthly County sponsored vaccination/license clinics held in varying Cities throughout the County. The number of vouchers sold at monthly clinics was kept low by the limited hours of the clinic and/or limiting the number of vouchers sold. The year prior to the "over the counter" process, 1,486 SCATE vouchers were sold. During the nine months they were sold "over the counter" the number sold tripled to 4,450. This increase in the number of vouchers sold, coupled with the huge disparity between the cost of the voucher and the actual veterinary medical costs created a costly program. While there is an incentive to public participation to encourage a reduction in the huge amount of unwanted animals it can not be a government only solution. Cities are also being asked to participate in the SCATE program in the future.

In December 2007 the Board of Supervisors supplemented the Animal Services budget by \$225,000 to cover SCATE medical costs. This amount was funded by projected revenues to the program and existing cash in the trust fund. In February 2008 the Board of Supervisors supplemented from the County general fund the Animal Services budget an additional \$100,000 to cover SCATE veterinary costs and existing expenditures. SCATE vouchers were not sold in May 2008 and staff will evaluate the availability of funds for a June 2008 clinic.

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<b>New Fee</b>	<b>Proposed Fee</b>
Low income SCATE vouchers	\$75.00
Standard SCATE voucher	\$150.00

The low income price of \$72 reflects what a low income pet owner would be paying for 25% of the surgery costs. The standard fee of \$140 reflects what a pet owner would be paying for 75% of their surgery costs. The new fees are still an incentive to participate in SCATE, as these rates are still lower than what the citizen would have to pay if they did not use SCATE.

Thus, the new structure is projected to accomplish three goals:

- A higher volume of voucher sales means more spay and neuters which meets the Board of Supervisors desire to reduce the pet overpopulation problem in Stanislaus County.
- It places greater financial responsibility on the pet owner reducing the risk of having to subsidize program.
- The program still provides an incentive for people to participate due to the affordability of the voucher.

Currently, the sole eligibility to purchase a standard voucher is being a resident of Stanislaus County and that the animal will reside in Stanislaus County. Eligibility to purchase a low income voucher would have the same residency requirements, plus presentation of one of the following types of documents or a similar government issued or utility company billing that has already predetermined the person to be low income:

- Medi-Cal Card (Benefits Identification Card or BIC)
- Food Stamps EBT Card (California Golden State Advantage Card)
- Pacific Gas & Electric CARE utility bill (California Alternate Rates for Energy)
- Telephone bill with low income designation ("Lifeline")

Animal Services would not create its own criteria for low income eligibility, nor would it create any review or arbitration process for persons who do not already have some other form of generally recognized government or utility company designation as being low income. Animal Services will not create any formulas of income versus number of persons in the household, nor will it do independent comparisons of other criteria in an attempt to determine who is or is not low income.

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as possible have access. The clinics are closely tied to the SCATE Program in two ways. First, the door-to-door education teams canvas the specific city or community where the upcoming clinic will be held. The teams promote the SCATE Program while doing the canvassing and the citations. Second, the SCATE Vouchers are only sold at these once a month clinics.

State law requires that a licensed veterinarian administer vaccinations. Northern San Joaquin Veterinary Medical Association (NSJVMA) supplies the veterinarians who administer the vaccinations. NSJVMA also supplies the rabies vaccine used at the clinics. The \$6.00 fee for a rabies vaccination is retained entirely by NSJVMA as their payment for providing the veterinary service.

Animal Services can provide this veterinary service through its own in-house full time and/or part-time veterinary staff on an hourly County salary basis rather than a \$5.00 per animal basis. The cost to the County would be two thirds less than the current private vendor method. The cost savings would be applied to the spay and neuter program, increasing the number of spay and neuters that could be provided.

Some local veterinarians do donate their time at the clinics and like to participate in the clinics that occur in their community as a community service. If the County veterinarians become the primary providers of vaccinations at the clinics; local veterinarians will still be welcome to participate.

**POLICY IMPACT:**

Approval of this agenda item adopting and amending fees will address the Board of Supervisors' priority of A safe community and Efficient delivery of public services by ensuring that the Department of Animal Services is appropriately charging fees to maintain the current level of services to the public.

**STAFFING IMPACT:**

There are no staffing impacts associated with this item.

ORDINANCE NO. C.S. \_\_\_\_\_

**AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO FEES AND FINES CHARGED BY  
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL SERVICES**

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** Section 7.50.010 of the Stanislaus County Code is amended to read as follows:

7.50.010 Animal Service Fees Schedule

The Animal Services fees and fines referred to and applied in this Title and its chapters are set forth in the Department of Animal Services 2008 Fee Schedule, which is periodically reviewed and amended by ordinance.

**Section 2.** Section 7.50.020 of the Stanislaus County Code is amended to read as follows:

7.50.020 Animal Court Fines and Fees

Violations of this Title and its chapters will have the Animal Court fines and fees applied as set forth in the Stanislaus County Department of Animal Services 2008 Fee Schedule, which is periodically reviewed and amended by ordinance.

**Section 3.** Sections 7.50.030 through 7.50.300, inclusive, of the Stanislaus County Code are repealed.

**Section 4.** Chapter 7.52 of the Stanislaus County Code is repealed.

**Section 5.** Fees collected by the Department of Animal Services are adopted and amended as set forth in the Stanislaus County Department of Animal Services 2008 Fee Schedule attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated by reference, a copy of which is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and is available for public inspection and copying in that office in accordance with the California Public Records Act.

**Section 6.** This ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days from and after the date of its passage and before the expiration of fifteen (15) days after its passage it shall be published once, with the names of the members voting for and against the same, in the Modesto Bee, a newspaper published in the County of Stanislaus, State of California.

Upon motion of Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_, the foregoing ordinance was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Stanislaus, State of

California, the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2008, by the following called vote:

AYES: Supervisors:

NOES: Supervisors:

ABSENT: Supervisors:

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Thomas W. Mayfield, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Stanislaus, State of California

ATTEST:  
CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN  
CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE  
COUNTY OF STANISLAUS, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
JOHN P. DOERING  
COUNTY COUNSEL

By Deirdre McGrath  
Deirdre McGrath  
Deputy County Counsel

Stanislaus County Department Of  
Animal Services

2008 Fee Schedule

**LICENSES**

Dog:	Annual dog license – Unaltered	\$150.00
	Two year license – Unaltered	250.00
	Three year license – Unaltered	350.00
	Annual dog license – Reduced fee, unaltered	28.00
	Annual dog license – Altered	12.00
Cat:	Voluntary cat annual license	\$12.00
Dog or Cat:	Delinquent penalties	\$12.00
Senior citizens over 65 years of age receive a 50% discount		
Kennel:	Hobby kennel	\$100.00
	Breeder/boarding/security	150.00
	Others per section 7.24.010	50.00
Litter Permit:	Litter license permit fee	\$100.00 per litter
Litter Permit:	Penalty	\$500.00

**RECLAIMED AND IMPOUND FEES**

Dog and cat:	1 <sup>st</sup> impound	\$ 45.00
	2 <sup>nd</sup> impound in 12 month period	65.00
	3 <sup>rd</sup> impound in 12 month period	100.00
Small livestock		\$ 45.00
Large livestock	1 <sup>st</sup> impound	75.00
	2 <sup>nd</sup> impound in 12 months	100.00
	3 <sup>rd</sup> impound in 12 months	100.00

**SPAY AND NEUTER FINES** (Food & Ag Code 31751.7 and 30804.7)

Dog and cat:	1 <sup>st</sup> impound	\$ 35.00
	2 <sup>nd</sup> impound	50.00
	3 <sup>rd</sup> impound	100.00

## **DAILY CARE AND FEED**

Board and care of all animals: \$ 15.00

## **VETERINARY CARE**

Level One Fee: \$ 35.00  
Basic examination only, no treatment of any kind

Level Two Fee: 60.00  
Examination and minor treatments, e.g., basic wound care, antibiotic injection, subcutaneous fluids, bath

Level Three Fee: 135.00  
Examination and extensive treatment, e.g., care requiring sedation, subcutaneous fluids, multiple injections, etc.

Level Four Fee: 220.00  
Examination and extensive treatment, e.g., care requiring general anesthesia and minor surgery, injections, fluids, multi-day care

Level Five Fee: 370.00  
Includes exam and life saving treatment, e.g., resuscitation, anesthesia and extensive wound care/surgery, injections, fluids, multi-day care

Outside veterinary care (e.g., after hours emergency clinic) Actual cost

## **VACCINATIONS AND TREATMENTS**

Rabies: \$ 6.00

Distemper/ParvoHPP 10.00  
e.g., DHPP (distemper, hepatitis, parainfluenza, parvo)

Feline Upper Respiratory 10.00  
e.g., FVR-CP (feline rhinotracheitis-calici-panleukopenia)

Bordatella vaccination 10.00

Deworming 10.00

Frontline flea treatment 8.00

**DISPOSAL FEE**

Per small animal: \$ 10.00  
(large livestock not accepted)

**FIELD SERVICE CHARGES**

Pick up or trip charges for small animals: \$ 45.00

Pick up or trip charges for large livestock: 75.00

**QUARANTINE FEE**

Fee: \$ 50.00

**MICROCHIP FEE**

Fee: \$ 20.00

**CAT TRAP FEE**

Rental deposit: \$ 65.00

Per day rental fee: \$ 2.00

**ADOPTION FEES AND DEPOSITS**

Dog: \$ 90.00  
Includes rabies, DHPP, microchip, spay/neuter

Cat: 45.00  
Includes FVR-CP, rabies, microchip, spay/neuter and  
FeLV test (feline leukemia virus)

**OWNER SURRENDER FEE**

Fee: \$ 30.00

**STANISLAUS COUNTY ALTERNATIVE TO EUTHANASIA**

SCATE low income voucher: \$ 72.00

SCATE standard voucher: 140.00

## ANIMAL COURT FEES

CODE	DESCRIPTION	FINE AMOUNT
Section 7.04.040	Interfere or resist with animal services officer	\$320.00
Section 7.16.030(1)	Leash violation	\$160.00
Section 7.16.030(2)	Trespass	\$160.00
Section 7.16.030(3)	Animal noise	\$160.00
Section 7.16.030(4)	Public nuisance	\$160.00
Section 7.20.010	License required	
	No license with proof	\$15.00
	No license without proof	\$251.00
Section 7.20.020	No license tag on dog	\$251.00
Section 7.24.010	Kennel license required	\$251.00
Section 7.36.050	No vaccination	\$251.00
Section 7.44.010	Abandonment	\$160.00
Section 7.44.020	Dead animal removal	\$160.00
Section 7.08.020	Potentially dangerous/vicious dog	\$500.00
Section 7.12.030A	Animal Court hearing deposit	Amount of violations being charged
Section 7.12.030C	Appeal fee to Board of Supervisors	\$144.00

**Animal Services Adoption Fees Survey  
Data as of April 7, 2008  
Addendum A**

County	Dogs		Cats	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
Fresno **	\$140.00 to \$205.00	\$136.00 to \$201.00	\$88.00	\$88.00
Kern	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$30.00	\$40.00
Monterey	\$143.25	\$153.25	\$89.25	\$124.25
Sacramento **	\$56.00 to \$126.00	\$56.00 to \$141.00	\$52.00 to \$92.00	\$52.00 to \$107.00
San Joaquin **	\$130.00 to \$163.00	\$140.00 to \$173.00	\$63.00 to \$88.00	\$78.00 to \$103.00
Solano	\$85.00-\$90.00	\$85.00-\$90.00	\$75.00-\$80.00	\$75.00-\$80.00
Sonoma **	\$90.00 to \$150.00	\$90.00 to \$150.00	\$50.00 to \$125.00	\$50.00 to \$125.00
Ventura	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
<b>Average</b>	<b>\$101.91 to \$130.41</b>	<b>\$104.41 to \$134.78</b>	<b>\$69.03 to \$86.53</b>	<b>\$76.53 to \$95.91</b>
Stanislaus ***	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$45.00	\$45.00
<b>Difference \$</b>	<b>\$26.91 to \$55.41</b>	<b>\$29.41 to \$55.78</b>	<b>\$24.03 to \$41.53</b>	<b>\$31.53 to \$50.91</b>
<b>Difference %</b>	<b>26.4% to 42.5%</b>	<b>28.2% to 44.4%</b>	<b>34.8% to 47.8%</b>	<b>41.2% to 53.1%</b>

\*\* Fees Applied based on weight, gender and age of Dog or Cat

\*\*\*Stanislaus provides the largest volume of services for the lowest cost



**Services included in Adoption Fees Survey**

Data as of January 15, 2007

County	Dogs				Cats	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
<b>Fresno</b>	Neuter Surgery	Spay Surgery	Neuter Surgery	Spay Surgery	Microchip	Microchip
	Microchip	Microchip	Microchip	Microchip	FVRCP	FVRCP
	Bortella	Bortella	FVRCP	FVRCP	Rabies	Rabies
	DHLPP	DHLPP	Rabies	Rabies		
	Rabies	Rabies				
<b>Kern</b>	Neuter Surgery	Spay Surgery	Neuter Surgery	Spay Surgery		
	Bortella	Bortella	FVRCP	FVRCP		
	DHLPP	DHLPP	Rabies	Rabies		
	Rabies	Rabies	+15.00 Microchip	+15.00 Microchip		
	+15.00 Microchip	+15.00 Microchip	Pet Carrier	Pet Carrier		
	Leash	Leash	Free Vet Exam	Free Vet Exam		
	Free Vet Exam	Free Vet Exam	Adoption Gift Bag	Adoption Gift Bag		
	Adoption Gift Bag	Adoption Gift Bag				
<b>Monterey</b>	Neuter Surgery	Spay Surgery	Neuter Surgery	Spay Surgery		
	Bortella	Bortella	FVRCP	FVRCP		
	DHLPP	DHLPP	Rabies	Rabies		
	Rabies	Rabies	Pet Carrier	Pet Carrier		
	+\$22.25 Microchip	+\$22.25 Microchip	+\$22.25 Microchip	+\$22.25 Microchip		
<b>Sacramento</b>	Neuter Surgery	Spay Surgery	Neuter Surgery	Spay Surgery		
	Microchip	Microchip	Microchip	Microchip		
	Bortella	Bortella	FVRCP	FVRCP		
	DHLPP	DHLPP	+\$10.00 Rabies	+\$10.00 Rabies		
	+\$10.00 Rabies	+\$10.00 Rabies				
<b>San Joaquin</b>	Neuter Surgery	Spay Surgery	Neuter Surgery	Spay Surgery		
	Microchip	Microchip	Microchip	Microchip		
	Bortella	Bortella	FVRCP	FVRCP		
	DHLPP	DHLPP	Rabies	Rabies		
	Rabies	Rabies	Fel V/FIV test	Fel V/FIV test		
<b>Solano</b>	Neuter Surgery	Spay Surgery	Neuter Surgery	Spay Surgery		
	Microchip	Microchip	Microchip	Microchip		
	Bortella	Bortella	FVRCP	FVRCP		
	DHLPP	DHLPP	+\$5.00 Rabies	+\$5.00 Rabies		
	+\$5.00 Rabies	+\$5.00 Rabies	Free Vet Exam	Free Vet Exam		
	Free Vet Exam	Free Vet Exam				
	Five weeks Basic	Obediance	Five weeks Basic	Obediance		
<b>Sonoma</b>	Neuter Surgery	Spay Surgery	Neuter Surgery	Spay Surgery		
	Microchip	Microchip	Microchip	Microchip		
	Bortella	Bortella	FVRCP	FVRCP		
	DHLPP	DHLPP	Rabies	Rabies		
	Rabies	Rabies	Fel V/FIV test	Fel V/FIV test		
	Free/discount Vet Exam	Free/discount Vet Exam	Free/discount Vet Exam	Free/discount Vet Exam		
	Free Behavior advise	Free Behavior advise	Free Behavior advise	Free Behavior advise		
			Pet Carrier	Pet Carrier		
<b>Ventura</b>	Neuter Surgery	Spay Surgery	Neuter Surgery	Spay Surgery		
	Microchip	Microchip	Microchip	Microchip		
	Bortella	Bortella	FVRCP	FVRCP		
	DHLPP	DHLPP	Rabies	Rabies		
	Rabies	Rabies	Free/discount Vet Exam	Free/discount Vet Exam		
	Free/discount Vet Exam	Free/discount Vet Exam	Pet Carrier	Pet Carrier		
<b>Stanislaus</b>	Neuter Surgery	Spay Surgery	Neuter Surgery	Spay Surgery		
	Microchip	Microchip	Microchip	Microchip		
	Bortella	Bortella	FVRCP	FVRCP		
	DHLPP	DHLPP	Rabies	Rabies		
	Rabies	Rabies	Fel V/FIV test	Fel V/FIV test		
	Free Vet Exam	Free Vet Exam	Free Vet Exam	Free Vet Exam		
	Free Basic Obediance	Free Basic Obediance	Pet Carrier	Pet Carrier		
	Leash	Leash	Adoption Coupon Pkt	Adoption Coupon Pkt		
	Adoption Coupon Pkt	Adoption Coupon Pkt	Free Bag Cat Food	Free Bag Cat Food		
	Free Bag Dog Food	Free Bag Dog Food				

**Animal Services License Fees Survey**  
**Data as of April 7, 2008**  
**Addendum B**

County	6 months Dog Unaltered	6 months Dog Altered	Annual Dog Unaltered	Annual Dog Altered	Two Year - Unaltered	Two Year - Altered	Three Year - Unaltered	Three Year - Altered	Annual Dog License - Reduced	Delinquent Penalty	Replacement Tag	Transfer Fee	Annual Cat License	Senior License	Dangerous Dog Fee	Potentially Dangerous Dog Fee
Fresno	N/A	N/A	\$8.00	\$5.00	\$14.00	\$9.00	\$18.00	\$13.00	N/A	\$10.00	\$0.50	N/A	N/A	\$5/\$10/\$13	N/A	N/A
Kern	N/A	N/A	\$60.00	\$15.00	\$120.00	\$25.00	\$150.00	\$30.00	N/A		\$5.00	N/A	N/A	\$5/\$10/\$15 altered only	\$100-\$400 imp	N/A
Monterey	\$12.00	\$5.00	\$40.00	\$10.00	\$50.00	\$15.00	\$60.00	\$20.00	N/A	\$20.00-\$40.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00-10.00	\$9.00/60yrs	\$200.00/per yr.	\$200.00/per yr.
Sacramento	N/A	N/A	\$150.00	\$15.00	\$300.00	\$30.00	\$450.00	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$100.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
San Joaquin	N/A	N/A	\$100.00	\$10.00	\$120.00	\$15.00	\$150.00	\$25.00	N/A	\$30.00	\$8.00/\$2.00 senior	\$20.00	N/A	Discount	N/A	\$125.00
Solano	N/A	N/A	\$40.00	\$20.00	\$76.00	\$36.00	\$116.00	\$56.00	N/A	\$15.00-25.00	\$5.00	N/A	N/A	50%/65 yrs		
Sonoma	N/A	N/A	\$32.00	\$16.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	License Fee	\$6.00	\$6.00	\$5.00-10.00	50%/62 yrs	\$250.00/per yr.	\$100.00
Ventura	N/A	N/A	\$60.00	\$20.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$60.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Average</b>	N/A	N/A	<b>\$61.25</b>	<b>\$13.88</b>	<b>\$113.33</b>	<b>\$21.67</b>	<b>\$157.33</b>	<b>\$31.50</b>	<b>\$45.00</b>	<b>\$33.11</b>	<b>\$6.90</b>	<b>\$12.50</b>	<b>\$5.00-\$10.00</b>		<b>\$225.00</b>	<b>\$141.67</b>
Stanislaus	N/A	N/A	\$100.00	\$12.00	\$180.00	\$24.00	\$260.00	\$36.00	\$28.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$12.00 optional	50%/65 yrs		
<b>Difference \$</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>-\$38.75</b>	<b>\$1.88</b>	<b>-\$66.67</b>	<b>-\$2.33</b>	<b>-\$102.67</b>	<b>-\$4.50</b>	<b>\$17.00</b>	<b>-\$66.89</b>	<b>\$6.90</b>	<b>\$12.50</b>	<b>\$2.00-\$7.00</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>\$225.00</b>	<b>\$141.67</b>
<b>Difference %</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>-38.8%</b>	<b>14.6%</b>	<b>-37.0%</b>	<b>-9.7%</b>	<b>-39.5%</b>	<b>-12.5%</b>	<b>60.7%</b>	<b>-66.9%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>42%-17%</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Animal Services Reclaim/Impound Fees Survey**  
**Data as of April 7, 2008**  
**Addendum C**

County	First Impound	Second Impound in 12 month period	Third Impound in 12 month period	Fourth Impound in 12 month period	Fifth Impound in 12 month period	Small livestock	Large livestock
	Fresno	\$30.00-\$65.00	\$55.00-\$105.00	\$55.00-\$155.00	N/A	N/A	
Kern	Dog: \$15.00-\$40.00	\$80.00	\$160.00	N/A	N/A		
Monterey	\$35.00	\$45.00	\$60.00	\$125.00	\$140.00		
Sacramento	\$30.00	\$60.00	\$120.00	N/A	N/A		
San Joaquin	\$40.00 - \$100.00	\$80.00 - \$100.00	\$100.00 - \$160.00	N/A	N/A		
Solano	\$25.00-\$35.00	\$35.00-\$65.00	\$55.00-\$110.00	N/A	N/A	\$40.00	\$75.00
Sonoma	Cat: \$15.00-\$20.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	N/A	N/A	\$20.00	\$45.00/hr.
Ventura	\$30.00-\$50.00	\$60.00-\$100.00	\$120.00-\$200.00	N/A	N/A	\$10.00-\$30.00	\$100.00
<b>Average</b>	<b>\$31.88-\$51.88</b>	<b>\$64.38</b>	<b>\$96.25</b>	<b>\$125.00</b>	<b>\$140.00</b>	<b>\$23.33-\$30.00</b>	<b>\$73.33</b>
Stanislaus	\$35.00	\$55.00	\$100.00	N/A	N/A	\$30.00	\$50.00-\$100.00
<b>Difference \$</b>	<b>-\$3.12-\$16.88</b>	<b>\$14.38</b>	<b>-\$3.75</b>	<b>\$125.00</b>	<b>\$140.00</b>	<b>-\$6.67</b>	<b>-\$26.67</b>
<b>Difference %</b>	<b>9%-38%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>-4%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>-27%</b>

**Animal Services Disposal/Quarantine/Board and Care /Microchip/Owner Surrender Fees Survey**  
**Data as of April 7, 2008**  
**Addendum D**

County	Disposal Fee	Quarantine Fee	Daily care and feed	Microchip	Owner Surrender
Fresno		SPCA		\$20.00	SPCA
Kern			\$15.00-\$25.00	\$15.00	\$15.00
Monterey	\$5.00	\$50.00-\$150.00	\$12.00/day	\$26.00	\$25.00-\$45.00
Sacramento				\$20.00	\$45.00
San Joaquin	\$3.00	\$20.00	\$3.50-\$8.00	\$15.00	\$16.00
Solano	\$30.00	\$58.00-\$80.00	\$15.00-\$40.00	\$20.00	\$50.00-\$75.00
Sonoma	\$30.00	\$50.00-\$75.00	\$15.00-\$20.00	\$20.00	\$30.00
Ventura	\$.00-\$25.00	\$50.00	\$10.00-\$15.00	\$10.00	\$.00-\$100.00
<b>Average</b>	<b>\$10.50</b>	<b>\$38.00</b>	<b>\$11.75-\$20.00</b>	<b>\$20.86</b>	<b>\$25.85-\$46.57</b>
Stanislaus	\$10.00	\$30.00	\$8.00/day	\$17.00	\$25.00
<b>Difference \$</b>	<b>\$0.50</b>	<b>\$8.00</b>	<b>\$3.75-\$12.00</b>	<b>\$3.86</b>	<b>\$85-\$21.57</b>
<b>Difference %</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>32%-60%</b>	<b>18.5%</b>	<b>3%-53.7%</b>

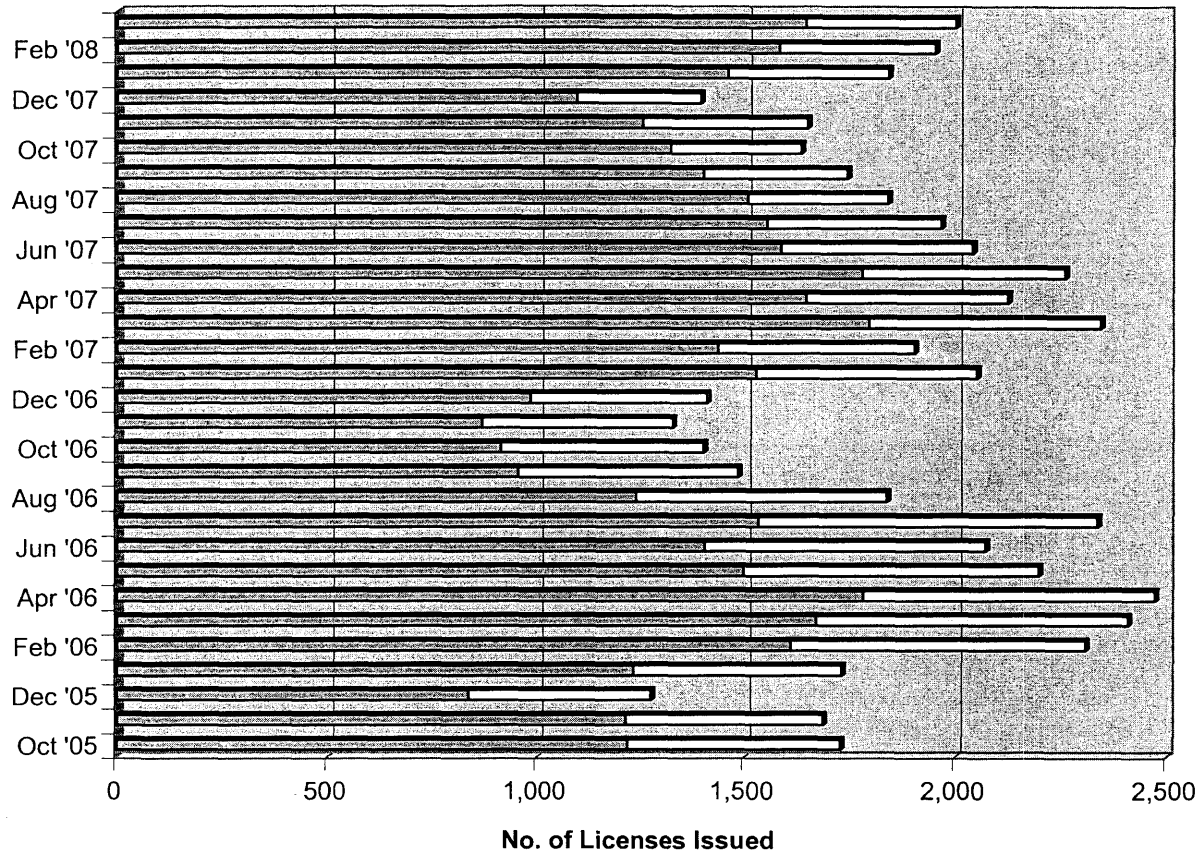
**Animal Services Vaccination Fees Survey**  
**Data as of April 7, 2008**  
**Addendum E**

County	Dogs		Cats		Dogs/Cats
	DHLPP	Bordatella	FVRCP	Bordatella	Rabies
Fresno			SPCA		
Kern	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$5.00
Monterey					
Sacramento	\$4.00	\$4.00	\$4.00		\$10.00
San Joaquin	\$12.00	\$10.00	\$8.00		\$8.00
Solano	\$9.00	\$9.00	\$9.00		\$5.00
Sonoma	\$10.00		\$10.00		\$10.00
Ventura	\$10.00		\$10.00		\$10.00
<b>Average</b>	<b>\$8.00</b>	<b>\$6.50</b>	<b>\$7.33</b>	<b>\$3.00</b>	<b>\$8.00</b>
Stanislaus	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Difference \$</b>	<b>\$8.00</b>	<b>\$6.50</b>	<b>\$7.33</b>	<b>\$3.00</b>	<b>\$8.00</b>
<b>Difference %</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Addendum F

Altered/Unaltered Licenses Issued Monthly Comparison Chart

■ DOG ALTERED □ DOG UNALTERED



	DOG ALTERED	%Altered	DOG UNALTERED	%Unaltered	Total
Oct '05	1,219	70.6%	508	29.4%	1,727
Nov '05	1,214	72.0%	472	28.0%	1,686
Dec '05	834	65.4%	441	34.6%	1,275
Jan '06	1,233	71.3%	497	28.7%	1,730
Feb '06	1,609	69.8%	697	30.2%	2,306
Mar '06	1,670	69.4%	737	30.6%	2,407
Apr '06	1,781	72.1%	690	27.9%	2,471
May '06	1,497	68.2%	699	31.8%	2,196
Jun '06	1,405	67.8%	666	32.2%	2,071
Jul '06	1,533	65.7%	802	34.3%	2,335
Aug '06	1,239	67.5%	597	32.5%	1,836
Sept '06	954	64.3%	530	35.7%	1,484
Oct '06	912	65.0%	490	35.0%	1,402
Nov '06	866	65.2%	462	34.8%	1,328
Dec '06	984	69.8%	426	30.2%	1,410
Jan '07	1,527	74.5%	523	25.5%	2,050
Feb '07	1,436	75.5%	465	24.5%	1,901
Mar '07	1,794	76.6%	548	23.4%	2,342
Apr '07	1,646	77.5%	478	22.5%	2,124
May '07	1,778	78.8%	479	21.2%	2,257
Jun '07	1,585	77.7%	455	22.3%	2,040
Jul '07	1,552	79.0%	413	21.0%	1,965
Aug '07	1,506	81.9%	332	18.1%	1,838
Sept '07	1,401	80.4%	341	19.6%	1,742
Oct '07	1,323	81.0%	310	19.0%	1,633
Nov '07	1,253	76.0%	395	24.0%	1,648
Dec '07	1,095	78.6%	299	21.4%	1,394
Jan '08	1,460	79.3%	380	20.7%	1,840
Feb '08	1,581	81.1%	369	18.9%	1,950
Mar '08	1,645	82.3%	354	17.7%	1,999
<b>Total</b>	<b>41,532</b>	<b>73.7%</b>	<b>14,855</b>	<b>26.3%</b>	<b>56,387</b>

Average Percent of Altered Dogs Licensed

- 2002 to 2003: 59.6%
- 2003 to 2004: 58.6%
- 2004 to 2005: 58.7%
- 2005 to 2006: 77.8%
- 2006 to 2007: 75.8%

**Addendum G**

**EXHIBIT A**

**A. SCOPE OF WORK**

The Consultant shall provide surgical sterilization, implantation of microchip identification, and anti-rabies vaccinations services for dogs and cats under this Agreement for Professional Services between the County of Stanislaus and "Consultant").

**B. COMPENSATION**

The Consultant shall be compensated in accordance with the following schedule on a per animal basis for the services provided under this Agreement:

The Consultant shall be compensated in accordance with the following schedule on a per animal basis:

Fee Schedule:

SCATE PROGRAM:

Cats

Male: \$ 52.00  
Female: \$100.00

Dogs

Male less than 35 lbs.: \$ 98.00  
Male 35 lbs. or greater: \$110.00  
Female less than 35 lbs.: \$134.00  
Female 35 lbs. through 65 lbs.: \$173.00  
Female 66 lbs. or greater: \$224.00

Cryptorchid males @ female rates upon veterinarian's approval

Rabies vaccination: \$10.00

Microchip implant: \$10.00 (chip provided by Animal Services)  
\$20.00 (chip provided by contractor)

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ADDITIONAL NOTICE IS GIVEN that the proposed ordinance and fee schedule will be available for review on July 3, 2008, in the Clerk of the Board Office, 1010 10th Street, Suite 6700, Modesto, CA. For further information, contact Dave Young, Interim Director of the Stanislaus County Department of Animal Services at (209) 342-1740 or at 2846 Finch Road, Modesto, CA.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that at the said time and place, interested persons will be given the opportunity to be heard. Material submitted to the Board for consideration, (i.e. photos, petitions, etc.) will be retained by the County. If a challenge to the above application is made in court, persons may be limited to raising only those issues they or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Board.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Dated: June 3, 2008

ATTEST: CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN,  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the  
County of Stanislaus, State of California

By:

  
Elizabeth A. King, Assistant Clerk

**+DECLARATION OF PUBLICATION  
(C.C.P. S2015.5)**

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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**COUNTY OF STANISLAUS  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident Of the County aforesaid; I am over the age of Eighteen years, and not a party to or interested In the above entitle matter. I am a printer and Principal clerk of the publisher of **THE MODESTO BEE**, printed in the City of **MODESTO**, County of **STANISLAUS**, State of California, daily, for which said newspaper has been adjudged a newspaper of general circulation by the Superior Court of the County of **STANISLAUS**, State of California, Under the date of **February 25, 1951, Action No. 46453**; that the notice of which the annexed is a printed copy, has been published in each issue there of on the following dates, to wit:

**JULY 3, 9, 2008**

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury That the foregoing is true and correct and that This declaration was executed at **MODESTO, California** on

**JULY 9, 2008**

  
(Signature)

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