

ORDINANCE NO. 2506

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER VIII, SECTION 2.2 AND 2.3
OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK ENTITLED,
“LICENSING OF DOGS”**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park, County of Union and State of New Jersey that Chapter VIII, Section 2.2 and 2.3 of the Code of the Borough of Roselle Park be and hereby is amended as follows:

SECTION 1. 8-2 LICENSING OF DOGS.

8-2.2 Time for Applying for License and Registration Tag.

a. Every person who owns, harbors, keeps or possesses one (1) or more dogs within the Borough, which dog or dogs attained the age of seven (7) months or which possesses a set of permanent teeth, shall procure from the Borough Clerk a license and official metal registration tag for each dog so owned, kept or harbored and shall pay therefore the sum of fifteen (~~\$15.00~~)—dollars **and eighty cents (\$15.80) effective January 1, 2018** for each license and also the sum of one (\$1.00) dollar for each registration tag to be paid and collected as hereinafter provided. In addition, the Borough Clerk shall collect twenty (\$0.20) cents for each dog licensed to be remitted to the New Jersey Department of Health for the Pilot Clinic Fund as required by P.L. 1983 c. 181, and three (\$3.00) dollars for any dog of reproductive age which has not had its reproductive capacity permanently altered through sterilization as required by P.L. 1983 c. 1972.

b. *Newly-Acquired Dogs and Dogs Attaining Licensing Age.* The owner of any newly-acquired dog of licensing age or of any dog which attains licensing age shall make application for license and registration tag for such dog within ten (10) days after such acquisition or age attainment.

c. Every person who shall harbor or possess any dog for a period of ten (10) days or more shall, for the purposes of this subsection, be deemed to be the owner of the dog so harbored or possessed.

d. Any dog owner, as defined above, shall submit proof to the Licensing Official either by means of a certificate from a licensed veterinarian and/or by affidavit that their dog has been spayed or neutered as a condition to their nonpayment of the licensing fee set forth in subsection 8-2.3 with reference to the Animal Population Control Fund.

(1980 Code § 100-1; Ord. No. 2206 § 1)

8-2.3 Fees; Expiration Dates; "Seeing Eye" and "Hearing Ear" Dogs.

a. *License Fees and Expiration Date.*

1. The person applying for an annual license and registration tag shall pay a fee of fifteen (~~\$15.00~~) dollars **and eighty cents (\$15.80) effective January 1, 2018** for the license for each dog, three (\$3.00) dollars for any dog not spayed or altered, the sum of one (\$1.00) dollar for the registration tag, and twenty (\$0.20) cents for each dog to be remitted to the New Jersey Department of Health for the Pilot Clinic Fund as required by N.J.S.A. 4:19-15.1 et seq.

2. The person applying for a license and registration tag for any dog who has been spayed or neutered shall present a certificate signed by a licensed veterinarian stating that the dog has been spayed or neutered and shall be entitled to such license at a fee of fifteen ~~(\$15.00)~~ dollars **and eighty cents (\$15.80) effective January 1, 2018**, a registration fee of one (\$1.00) dollar and payment of twenty (\$0.20) cents for the New Jersey Department of Health Pilot Clinic Fee.

b. *Late Fee.* There shall be a late fee charged for all dog license renewals not made by January 31 of the license year. The fee shall be two (\$2.00) dollars per month, chargeable on the first day of each month beginning on February 1 of the license year, to a maximum late fee of ten (\$10.00) dollars per license year. Thereafter, in addition to the fee and late registration fee, an applicant shall be subject to summons and fine unless fees shall be paid voluntarily prior to the issuance of summons.

c. *Seeing Eye and Hearing Ear Dogs.* Dogs used as guides for blind or hard of hearing persons and commonly known as "Seeing Eye" and "Hearing Ear" dogs shall be licensed and registered as other dogs as hereinabove provided for, except that the owner or keeper of such dogs shall not be required to pay any fee.

(1980 Code § 100-1; New; Ord. No. 2206 § 1)

SECTION 2. Invalidation

If any section or portion of a section of this Code shall be invalid for any reason, such invalidity shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections or portions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. Inconsistent Ordinances Repealed.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances, to the extent that they are inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. Captions.

Captions contained in this Ordinance have been included only for the purpose of facilitating reference to the various sections and are not intended and shall not be utilized to construe the intent and meaning of the text of any section.

SECTION 5. Effective Date.

This amendment to the Code of the Borough of Roselle Park shall become effective upon publication and in accordance with law.

Introduced: October 5, 2017

Adopted: October 19, 2017

Mayor

Attest: _____
Borough Clerk