

ORDINANCE
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLLEGE PARK, MARYLAND,
ADDING CHAPTER 102, “DOGS AND OTHER ANIMALS”, §102-16 “ADOPTION AND
MICROCHIP FEES”, AMENDING CHAPTER 110 “FEES AND PENALTIES” TO SET
FEES FOR DOG AND CAT ADOPTION AND PLACEMENT OF MICROCHIPS.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Md. Code Ann., Art. 23A, §2, the City of College Park, Maryland (hereinafter, the “City”) has the power to pass such ordinances as it deems necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the City provides for regulation of dogs and other animals through Chapter 102 of the City Code; and

WHEREAS, part of the duties of the Animal Control Officer for the City is to receive dogs, cats or other domestic animals that are abandoned or running at large; and

WHEREAS, at various times the City has been able to arrange for adoption of dogs and cats that have been abandoned or have otherwise come into the custody of the City, which has resulted in certain costs to the City various veterinary services such as vaccines, spay and neuter; and

WHEREAS, the placement of microchips, allowing owners to identify and locate pets, is a valuable service to render to the community and is a service that the Animal Control Officer can provide at a certain cost; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have determined that it is appropriate to authorize the charging of a fee for adoption of dogs, cats and other animals and for microchip placement; and

CAPS	: Indicate matter added to existing law.
[Brackets]	: Indicate matter deleted from law.
Asterisks * * *	: Indicate matter remaining unchanged in existing law but not set forth in Ordinance
<u>CAPS</u>	:Indicate matter added in amendment
[Brackets]	:Indicate matter deleted in amendment

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have determined that any fees generated from the adoption of dogs, cats and other animals and microchip placement should be used to defray City expenses for care of the animals taken into custody by the City.

Section 1. **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED**, by the Mayor and Council of the City of College Park, Maryland that the title of Chapter 102 “Dogs and other animals”, §102-16 “Adoption and microchip fees” be, and is hereby, enacted to read as follows:

Chapter 102 Dogs and other animals

§102-16 ADOPTION AND MICROCHIP FEES

THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE A FEE, AS SET OUT IN CHAPTER 110 OF THE CODE, FOR ADOPTION OF DOGS, CATS, OR OTHER ANIMALS AND FOR MICROCHIP PLACEMENT.

Section 2. **BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ENACTED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of College Park that

Chapter 110 “Fees and Penalties”, §110-1, “Fees and interests”, be and is hereby repealed and reenacted with amendments as follows:

§110-1 Fees and interests.

The following enumerations are the current fees, rates, charges and interests applicable in the City of College Park:

Chapter/Section	Description	Fee/Interest
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Ch. 102 Dogs and Other Animals

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§102-16 ADOPTION AND MICROCHIP FEES

ADOPTION FEE, CAT, ADULT, SINGLE	\$75.00
ADOPTION FEE, CAT, ADULT, BONDED PAIR	\$120.00
ADOPTION FEE, CAT, KITTEN, SINGLE	\$100.00
ADOPTION FEE, CAT, KITTEN, BONDED PAIR	\$150.00
ADOPTION FEE, DOG, ADULT	\$120.00
ADOPTION FEE, OTHER SPECIES	\$75.00
ADOPTION FEE, (SENIOR, DISABLED ADOPTER)	\$0.00
MICROCHIP PLACEMENT	\$30.00

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Section 3. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Mayor and Council of the City of College Park that, upon formal introduction of this proposed Ordinance, which shall be by way of a motion duly seconded and without any further vote, the City Clerk shall distribute a copy to each Council member and shall maintain a reasonable number of copies in the office of the City Clerk and shall publish this proposed ordinance or a fair summary thereof in a newspaper having a general circulation in the City of College Park together with a notice setting out the time and place for a public hearing thereon and for its consideration by the Council. The public hearing, hereby set for _____ P.M. on the _____ day of _____, 2011, shall follow the publication by at least seven (7) days, may be held separately or in connection

with a regular or special Council meeting and may be adjourned from time to time. All persons interested shall have an opportunity to be heard. After the hearing, the Council may adopt the proposed ordinance with or without amendments or reject it. As soon as practicable after adoption, the City Clerk shall have a fair summary of the Ordinance and notice of its adoption published in a newspaper having a general circulation in the City of College Park and available at the City's offices. This Ordinance shall become effective twenty (20) days after its approval by the County Council for Prince George's County provided that a fair summary of this Ordinance is published at least once prior to the date of passage and once as soon as practical after the date of passage in a newspaper having general circulation in the City.

INTRODUCED by the Mayor and Council of the City of College Park, Maryland at a regular meeting on the ____ day of _____ 2011.

ADOPTED by the Mayor and Council of the City of College Park, Maryland at a regular meeting on the ____ day of _____ 2011.

EFFECTIVE the ____ day of _____, 2011.

ATTEST:

**THE CITY OF COLLEGE PARK,
MARYLAND**

By: _____
Janeen S. Miller, CMC, City Clerk

By: _____
Andrew M. Fellows, Mayor

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:**

Suellen M. Ferguson, City Attorney