

Animal Control Changes Coming...

The City of Corning's Animal Shelter on Rawson Road will cease operations in October, 2019. Built in the 1950's, the facility is no longer in keeping with today's standards of humane treatment. Its advanced age has resulted in unsanitary and unsafe conditions for our furry clients, as well as the humans working to care for them. Also, it has suffered intense flooding each year which often requires dangerous emergency evacuation of all living things.

Running a successful shelter requires tremendous amounts of time, energy, and money. The City of Corning has been able to keep ours open largely due to the heroic efforts of 2nd Chance Pet Rescue. That organization has decided not to renew their agreement with the city. For the last 17 years, this small but determined group has gone far above and beyond what was asked of them. They cannot continue this level of sacrifice any longer and are looking forward to new challenges. The City of Corning is extremely grateful for their expertise, medical care, adoption outreach, and volunteer programs. 2nd Chance has allowed Corning to maintain a no-kill shelter since 2002 – an unheard of accomplishment for a small municipality like ours.

The Future

Recently, we have negotiated an agreement with the Tehama County Animal Shelter to care for animals collected in the city limits. This agreement is modelled after the one enjoyed by the City of Red Bluff. Tehama County has an excellent euthanasia record, and all involved parties - including 2nd Chance - are pleased with the new arrangement.

How Will This Work?

When an animal is picked up, the Animal Control Officer (as always) will make every possible effort to locate the owner and return their dog. If a dog's owner cannot be located, that dog will be transported to Red Bluff (generally at the end of the day), and its owner will have to collect their companion there. Fees will be charged, and citations issued, if appropriate.

It is more important than ever that every single dog in this city wear some type of identification and carry a microchip with updated owner information. Experience shows that most dogs with ID get home, while most without do not. Our mission is to always return a dog to its owner with the least amount of disruption possible.

Why This is Important

In order to avoid a time consuming and possibly expensive trip to Red Bluff to collect your four-legged friend, take some time NOW to put your dog's collar around their neck, with a current city license or other identifying information. If your dog has a microchip, make sure the city and/or your microchip carrier has your correct contact information. If not, please consider having your doggy chipped right away.

Fees

Animal Control fees help pay for the services the city provides. The city has not raised animal control fees since the turn of the century. Consequently, those amounts are also due for gradual change. Here are the current and future amounts:

Fee Increases				
Description	Current	2020	2021	2022
1 Year Senior Citizens (Unaltered)	\$4	\$9.50	\$15	\$25
3 Year Senior Citizens (Unaltered)	N/A	\$28.50	\$45	\$60
1 Year Senior Citizens (Altered)	\$2	\$7.50	\$8	\$8
3 Year Senior Citizens (Altered)	N/A	\$20	\$20	\$20
1 Year License Fee (Unaltered)	\$8	\$13.50	\$20	\$25
1 Year Altered	\$4	\$9.50	\$10	\$10
3 Year License Fee (Unaltered)	N/A	\$40.50	\$60	\$60
3 Year License Fee (Altered)	N/A	\$25	\$25	\$25
Replacement License	\$2.50	\$3	\$3	\$3
Late Fee (30 days overdue)	\$7.50	\$20	\$20	\$20
1 st Pickup Fee	\$12	\$40	\$40	\$40
2 nd Pickup Fee		\$40	\$40	\$40
3 rd Pickup Fee	\$25	\$40	\$40	\$40
4 th Pickup Fee	\$30	\$40	\$40	\$40
Daily Impound Fee	\$3.50	\$6	\$6	\$6
10 Day Quarantine Fee	\$36	\$60	\$60	\$60
Animal Surrender Fee	\$12	\$20	\$20	\$20
Food & Ag - 1st Pickup	\$35	\$35	\$35	\$35
Food & Ag - 2nd Pickup	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50
Food & Ag - 3rd Pickup	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100
Adoption Fee	\$40	\$40	\$40	\$145

Licensing

Dog licenses will now be the responsibility of the county.

As it stands now, all dog licenses in Corning come due on January 1st each year, and can only be renewed for one year. Purchasing one requires a trip to city hall. Because of a quirk in the process, a license can be issued for a dog whose rabies vaccination expires during that year. The county, like most agencies, offers multi-year licenses by mail which can be renewed at any time during the year and are dependent on the expiration date of the rabies vaccination, either one or three years.

Comparison

Here is what nearby agencies charge for the same services:

Current					
Description	Corning	Tehama Co	Glenn Co Orland	Chico	Butte County
1 Year Senior Citizens (Unaltered)	\$4	\$25	N/A	N/A	N/A
3 Year Senior Citizens (Unaltered)	N/A	\$60	N/A	N/A	N/A
1 Year Senior Citizens (Altered)	\$2	\$8	N/A	N/A	N/A
3 Year Senior Citizens (Altered)	N/A	\$20	N/A	N/A	N/A
1 Year License Fee (Unaltered)	\$8	\$25	\$25	\$26	\$26
1 Year Altered	\$4	\$10	\$12	\$13	\$12.50
3 Year License Fee (Unaltered)	N/A	\$60	\$50	\$59	\$46
3 Year License Fee (Altered)	N/A	\$25	\$25	\$29	\$22.50
Replacement License	\$2.50	\$3		\$7	\$5
Late Fee (30 days overdue)	\$7.50	\$20	\$15	\$13	\$10
1 st Pickup Fee	\$12	\$40		\$32.50	\$65
2 nd Pickup Fee		\$40	\$65	\$46	\$80
3 rd Pickup Fee	\$25	\$40	\$90	\$59	\$100
4 th Pickup Fee	\$30	\$40			
Daily Impound Fee	\$3.50	\$6	\$9	\$10.50	\$31
10 Day Quarantine Fee	\$36	\$60	\$150	\$105	
Animal Surrender Fee	\$12	\$20			
Food & Ag - 1st Pickup	\$35	\$35	\$35	\$35	\$35
Food & Ag - 2nd Pickup	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50
Food & Ag - 3rd Pickup	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100
Adoption Fee	\$40	\$145	\$40	\$145	\$40