

**RESOLUTION TO AMEND ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL REGULATIONS
REGARDING OWNER RELEASE OF PETS**

WHEREAS, the County Commission of Montgomery County enacted a resolution for the promulgation of rules and regulations concerning dogs and cats and further amended that resolution on August 14, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Montgomery County Animal Care and Control division experiences a high volume of dog and cats that are released by their owners annually; and

WHEREAS, the need has arisen to provide a means for residents of Montgomery County to release all ownership and interest in their pet in an ethical, humane, and legal manner as well as to provide a means to encourage pet owners to find other alternatives to owner releasing of their pets.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. 5-1-120, that the County Commission for Montgomery County shall enact amendment to the rules and regulations so that they shall read in their entirety as follows:

Article 6 Ownership

Sec. 2: Owner Release of Domestic Animal

To provide residents of Montgomery County a means of ethically, humanely, and legally releasing all interest and ownership of their pets to Montgomery County Animal Care and Control

Eligibility

(a) Proof of Montgomery County residency

- i. Tennessee state driver's license or ID with Montgomery County address, no p.o. boxes
- ii. Most recent utility bill or vehicle registration with a Montgomery County address
- iii. Military ID in conjunction with most recent utility bill or vehicle registration (Must reside in Montgomery County or on Ft. Campbell Military Installation)

(b) Proof of pet ownership

- i. Verified Microchip registered to person/owner releasing pet and/or document signed by microchipped owner and registered owner verified by a Notary Republic

- ii. Proof of vaccination/vetting records (in absence of a microchip)


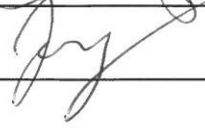
Fee Schedule

Owner Surrender dog.....	\$30.00
Owner Surrender cat.....	\$30.00
Each additional puppy or kitten under 3 months of same Litter.....	\$5.00 ea.
Each additional puppy or kitten over 4 months of same Litter.....	\$10.00 ea.
Puppies or Kittens under 4 months of age.....	\$10.00
Owner Requested Euthanasia (under 40 lbs.).....	\$35.00
Owner Requested Euthanasia (40lbs. to 100lbs.)...	\$50.00
Owner Requested Euthanasia (Over 100lbs.).....	\$60.00

Requirements for Owner Release

- (a) All owner releases will be by appointment only and will only be scheduled during normal business hours Monday through Friday (No Saturdays or Holidays)
- (b) Owner is required to provide reason for owner releasing their pet
- (c) Owner will provide any documentation they have showing rehoming was attempted if applicable
- (d) Owner must pay applicable Owner Release fee, as outlined in the fee schedule
- (e) Proof of low income status must be provided for all Owner Release Euthanasia requests
 - 1. Low Income Status may be provided in one of the following forms:
 - i. Proof of total monthly household income per TN-KY MSA
 - ii. Proof of supplemental security income or disability benefits
 - iii. Proof of stat assistance for medical, food, or childcare
 - iv. Unemployment benefits
 - v. Disabled adult child classification
- (f) Owner must provide an official form of identification
- (g) Only the microchipped owner or registered owner may owner release a pet and the microchipped or registered owner must be present to complete the transaction

Duly passed and approved this 9th day of July, 2018.

Sponsor  _____
Commissioner  _____
Approved _____
County Mayor

Attested _____
County Clerk