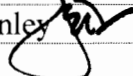

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DEPARTMENT

MEMOCity and Borough of Sitka

To:	City Administrator Jim Dinley 
From:	Chief Sheldon Schmitt
Subject:	Animal Control Ordinance Clean Up
Date:	April 20, 2011

In an attempt to implement the changes to the SGC-8 the Animal Control Ordinance, which were approved by the Assembly around September of 2010, a couple of word changes/deletions have been discovered which need to be made to clarify the intent of the changes.

The intent of the changes in SGC 8.04.020 – Licensing was to give the public an opportunity to purchase a 3-year dog license for their dog. Because of the word “yearly” in section 8.04.020-B, it doesn’t allow for a 3-year license. If the word “yearly” is taken out, the 3-year license can be implemented.

Also, section -D of SGC 8.04.020 needs to be deleted as it also conflicts with the intent to allow a 3-year license for dogs to be offered.

These two changes are of a housekeeping manner only, but need to be approved by the Assembly, before we can offer a three-year license to dog owners.

City Attorney Theresa Hillhouse has drafted up the proposed changes for the Assembly to review.

Cc; City Attorney Theresa Hillhouse

CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA

ORDINANCE NO. 2011-17

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA AMENDING
SITKA GENERAL CODE SECTION 8.04.020 ENTITLED "LICENSING"
FOR CLARIFICATION PURPOSES

1. **CLASSIFICATION.** This ordinance is of a permanent nature and is intended to become a part of the Sitka General Code ("SGC").

2. **SEVERABILITY.** If any provision of this ordinance or any application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this ordinance and application to any person or circumstance shall not be affected.

3. **PURPOSE.** In an attempt to implement the changes in Ordinance 2010-25, approved by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka in September of 2010, a couple of word changes/deletions have been discovered which need to be made to clarify the intent of the ordinance. The intent of the changes in SGC 8.04.020 entitled "Licensing" was to give the public an opportunity to purchase a 3-year dog license. Because of the word "yearly" in SGC 8.04.020B, a 3-year license is not allowed. If the word "yearly" is taken out, the 3-year license can be implemented. Also, SGC 8.04.020D needs to be amended as it also conflicts with the intent of Ordinance 2010-25 to allow a 3-year dog license. These two edits are for clarification purposes only.

4. **ENACTMENT.** NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka that SGC 8.04.020 is amended as follows (new language underlined; deleted language stricken):

8.04.020 Licensing

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B. The yearly license fees shall be determined by the chief of police in consultation with the animal hearing board.

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D. All licenses required by subsection A, B or C of this section shall be issued for a term to be determined by the chief of police in consultation with the animal hearing board. ~~of one year from the date of issuance.~~ Licenses must be renewed during the month prior to their expiration.

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PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Assembly of the City and Borough of Sitka, Alaska this 10th day of May, 2011.

ATTEST:

Colleen Ingman, MMC
Municipal Clerk