

**CITY OF EL PASO,
TEXAS AGENDA ITEM
DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM**



DEPARTMENT: Animal Services

AGENDA DATE: January 20, 2026

PUBLIC HEARING DATE:

CONTACT PERSON NAME: Michael Wachsmann, **PHONE NUMBER:** (915)212-8742
Animal Services Interim Director

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All

STRATEGIC GOAL: Goal 8 - Nurture and Promote a Healthy, Sustainable Community

SUBGOAL: 8.3 Enhance animal services to ensure El Paso's pets are provided a safe and healthy environment

SUBJECT:

A Resolution amending Schedule C of the FY2026 Budget to add a \$50 registration fee for dogs designated as 'Vicious Dogs' under Section 7.12.070 of the City Code. The fee aligns with the new regulations established in the companion ordinances, creating Sections 7.12.070 and 7.12.080, which define and regulate aggressive and vicious dogs.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

The companion ordinance amending Title 7, Chapter 7.12 establishes a process to designate certain dogs as "Vicious Dogs." Enforcement of this ordinance requires a corresponding amendment to Schedule C to authorize a registration fee.

This resolution adds a \$50 Vicious Dog Registration Fee, matching the existing fee for Aggressive Dogs. Ensures cost recovery and compliance with Section 7.12.070 of the City Code. Becomes effective upon Council approval and effective date specified in the resolution.

COMMUNITY AND STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH:

N/A

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

FY2026 Budget Resolution adopted August 12, 2025.

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Amount: \$50

Funding Source: Special Fund

Account: 441320

REPORTING OF CONTRIBUTION OR DONATION TO CITY COUNCIL:

N/A

NAME	AMOUNT (\$)
NA	NA

*****REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION*****

DEPARTMENT HEAD: *Michael Wachsmann*

Michael Wachsmann, Animal Services, Interim Director

**RESOLUTION AMENDING SCHEDULE C FOR
THE CITY OF EL PASO FY2026 FEE SCHEDULE**

WHEREAS, the City Council of El Paso adopted the Budget Resolution for FY2026 on August 12, 2025; and

WHEREAS, paragraph 48 of the Budget Resolution provides that any revisions or additions to the fees listed in Schedule C, or the process or formula use for setting fees, shall be approved by simple resolution of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, City Code Section 7.12.070 authorizes the City to charge registration fees for a dog designated as a vicious dog; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to add a new registration fee for designated vicious dogs as authorized by Title 7 of the City Code; and

WHEREAS, this Amendment to Schedule C ensures cost recovery and sound fiscal management.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

That Schedule C, attached to the FY2026 Budget Resolution and effective September 1, 2025, shall be amended effective _____, 2026, as set forth in Attachment A, to add a new registration fee for designated vicious dogs.

APPROVED this the _____ day of _____ 2026.

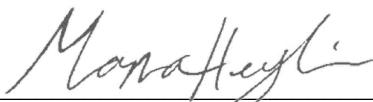
THE CITY OF EL PASO

Renard U. Johnson
Mayor

ATTEST:

Laura D. Prine
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Mona M. Heydarian
Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:



Michael D. Wachsmann, Interim Director
Animal Services Department

“Attachment A”

Department	Account	Fee Description	Detail	Municipal Code Section	FY 2026 Adopted Fees	FY 2026 Revised Fees
Animal Services	441320	Registration	Vicious Dog Registration	Refer to Texas Health and Safety Code 822.043. Registration	\$0.00	\$50.00