

Dog Owner? Please read below ...

For over 20 years, the City of Carlos has had some form of dog licensing. The Ordinance requires any canine regardless of size or breed to be licensed annually by the City of Carlos. The purpose of licensing is threefold:

- To insure the health and safety of dogs within the city limits by insuring vaccinations are current
- To enable a lost or unleashed dog to be returned to owner.
- To protect health and welfare of Carlos residents by insuring all dogs are vaccinated for rabies should a bite occur

The City of Carlos is home to over 100 dogs. Many are registered with the City and many are not. In an effort to educate our residents, license as many dogs as possible and to provide consistent enforcement of our ordinances the city has decided to contact each resident through this mailing to all water bill recipients.

IF YOU HAVE A DOG at your residence and it *has* been vaccinated for rabies:

- Please complete the information requested below
- Attach a copy of your dog's vaccination record from your vet (insure rabies is one of the vaccinations and it clearly states date of vaccination and date when next vaccination will be required).
- Deliver this letter with attached vaccination record and a check for \$10 to the City office (you may drop it into the mail slot on office door).
- We will supply you with a metal, numbered tag and a link to attach it to your dog's collar.
- It may be possible that your dog is registered; in that case we still need to verify the vaccinations are up to date and there is still an annual \$10 fee.
- A few of you have been set up to have this annual fee of \$10 included in your May water bill every year. Of course, if you were charged on your recent water bill, there is no need to submit any payment. However we still need verification of vaccinations, and updated information-if your dog has passed away or if you have a new dog in your home.

IF YOU HAVE A DOG at your residence and it has NOT been vaccinated for rabies:

- Make arrangements **IMMEDIATELY** to get your dog **VACCINATED!!**
- Follow above instructions.

Dog's Name	Breed	Sex	Age	Neutered or Spayed (yes or no)
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Unlicensed dogs will be subject to an Ordinance Violation and fined \$115.

The City of Carlos has an ordinance that prohibits dogs running at large within city limits. It is a public nuisance for a dog to habitually or frequently bark, cry, defecate on someone else's property, frequent school grounds or parks, chase vehicles or attack or annoy any person.

✓ Questions may be addressed by calling (320) 852-3000 or emailing office@cityofcarlos.com
City Clerk-Treasurer, Lori Johnson.