

service level and billing rate request from the LACDACC. A summary of the proposed changes to the fees in the CMC to align them with the fees of the LACDACC are as follows:

	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
License processing:	\$0.00	\$2.53
Dog license (unspayed/unneutered)	\$20.00	\$60.00
Dog license (spayed/neutered)	\$10.00	\$20.00
Senior citizen dog license (spayed/neutered)	\$5.00	\$7.50
Delinquency charge for annual renewal	\$20.00	*
* equal to cost of license		
Wild animal license fee	\$50.00	\$100.00
Voluntary identification registration (annual renewal)	\$5.00	\$10.00

All other licensing fees, including cat licensing fees, remain unchanged.

The animal control services that are provided by the LACDACC include housing of stray animals, special care when needed, veterinary costs, dead animal disposal, field services and animal licensing. The monthly cost to the city for providing these services to the residents of Carson averages \$30,430.49. That cost is reduced by fees collected for animal licensing. The monthly credit that Carson receives from animal licensing averages \$4,624.95. This credit reduces the cost of providing animal control services to an average of \$25,805.54 per month. If the proposed ordinance is adopted, and the fees are brought into alignment with those of Los Angeles County, it is estimated that the monthly credit could be approximately \$6,750.00. This would reduce the monthly cost of providing animal control services to \$23,680.49, or a net savings of \$2,125.05 per month.

Staff recommends adoption of Ordinance No. 10-1457, which will amend the Carson Municipal Code (CMC), Article III, Chapter 3, Section 3310, Fee Schedule, to be consistent with the Los Angeles County Department of Animal Care and Control fees. The current CMC Article III, Chapter 3 Pound Regulations (Exhibit No. 2) is attached for reference.

V. FISCAL IMPACT

Fiscal impact is anticipated to be a reduction in actual costs incurred for providing animal control services to the residents of the city of Carson.

VI. EXHIBITS

1. City of Carson proposed Ordinance No. 10-1457. (pgs. 4-6)
2. Carson Municipal Code Chapter 3, Pound Regulations. (pgs. 7-11)