

**CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE
RHODE ISLAND
DOCKET OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 12, 2005
+ADDENDUM**

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES *(If given first passage, can be referred to the next regular Council Meeting to be held on August 16, 2005 for a public hearing and consideration of Final Passage).*

4) The following is an ordinance amendment pertaining to spaying and neutering of dogs and cats

SECTION I. Subsection (a) (3) of Sec. 3-17 entitled “Mandatory spaying and neutering of dogs and cats adopted from a licensed releasing agency.” of Article I entitled “In General” of Chapter 3 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of East Providence, Rhode Island, 1998, as amended, entitled “Animals” in amended to read as follows:

~~Sec. 3-17(a) (3). In addition to executing the written agreement the adopting party must leave with the licensed releasing agency a deposit of not less than \$20.00 and not more than \$40.00. The amount of the deposit shall be determined by the licensed releasing agency. This deposit will be refunded by the licensed releasing agency to the adopting party upon presentation of a written statement or receipt from a licensed veterinarian of the adopting party’s choice where the dog or cat was spayed or neutered providing that the spaying or neutering was performed within the 30 day period.~~

There shall be a spay/neuter program at the East Providence animal shelter for cats, which program shall be adopted by the animal control officer with the approval of the city manager. There shall be an adoption fee for animals adopted from the East Providence animal shelter set by the animal control officer subject to the approval of the city manager.

SECTION II. This ordinance shall take effect upon its second passage and all ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed. *(Requested by Mayor Larisa)*

Motion _____ By _____ 2nd _____

5) The following is an ordinance establishing the animal shelter commission

SECTION I. Article I entitled “In General” of Chapter 3 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of East Providence, Rhode Island, 1998, as amended, entitled “Animals” in amended by adding thereto the following:

Sec. 3-22. Animal shelter commission.

There shall be a commission established called the East Providence Animal Shelter Commission. The purpose of the commission is to advise the animal control officer and support the East Providence animal shelter.

The commission shall have nine members who shall be appointed as follows:

Four members of the city council who are elected by ward shall each appoint one qualified elector of the city from their ward to the commission subject to approval by a majority of the city council; the remaining at large member of the city council shall appoint one qualified elector from the city to the commission subject to approval by a majority of the city council. There shall be three additional members appointed by a majority vote of the city council who shall also be qualified electors of the city of East Providence. The animal control officer shall appoint one member.

The commission shall meet a minimum of once per month. The animal control officer shall be the chairperson of the commission and a secretary shall be appointed by the commission.

The commission duties are as follows:

Advise and assist the animal control officer on animal care, vaccinations, general and emergency care of sick or injured animals, spay/neuter, dietary needs, procedures for adoptions, educational efforts in the community, physical changes to structure, adoption of any new regulations proposed and adopted on the state level, fundraising specifically for the shelter with funds to be administered by the animal control officer, and adoption for presentation to the council any changes to or new ordinances concerning the care of animals in the city of East Providence. Commission members shall not be involved in the operation of the animal shelter.

This ordinance shall expire within one year of its enactment.

SECTION II. This ordinance shall take effect upon its second passage and all ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed. *(Requested by Mayor Larisa)*

Motion_____By_____2nd_____