

**TOWN OF PIERCE, COLORADO
ORDINANCE NO. 2024-02**

SENT FOR PUBLICATION
DATE: 10/15/24
BY: KED

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 7, ARTICLE 5 OF THE
TOWN OF PIERCE MUNICIPAL CODE CONCERNING DOG LICENSES**

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (the “Board”) of the Town of Pierce (the “Town”) desires to amend certain provisions of the Town’s Code related to dog licenses; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that Chapter 7, Article 5 of the Municipal Code should be amended as further set forth in this Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Board believes that the changes set forth below are in the best interests of the Town and its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF PIERCE, COLORADO, as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 7, Article 5, Section 7-5-40 is amended to read as follows (deletions are indicated with a ~~striketrough~~ and additions indicated with underline):

Sec. 7-5-40. – Term of dog license.

(a) License Term. Licenses issued for dogs in this Town shall be good for a period of one year. The license term shall be from January 1 to December 31 of the same year. Dog licenses for each calendar year shall be obtained prior to the first day of March in the year for which the license is issued. Dogs brought into the Town shall be licensed no later than 30 days from the date they are brought into the Town.

(b) Failure to obtain or renew dog license.

(1) Any owner who fails to (i) obtain a license of a new dog within 60 days from the date they are brought into the Town, or (ii) fails to renew a license by March 1 of each year, shall be subject to a fine in an amount set forth in the Town’s fee schedule.

(2) Any owner who fails to (i) obtain a license of a new dog within 45 days from the date they are brought into the Town, or (ii) fails to renew a license by April 1 of each year, shall be subject to a cease and desist order giving the owner 15 days to obtain the license.

Section 2. In the opinion of the Board, this Ordinance is necessary for the preservation and protection of the health, safety, welfare and property of inhabitants and owners of property in the Town of Pierce.

Section 3. If any part, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is, for any reason, held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections of this ordinance. The Board of Trustees hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance in each part, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more parts, sections, subsections, clauses or phrases be declared invalid.

Section 4. This ordinance shall be so interpreted and construed to effectuate its general purpose pursuant to the laws of the State of Colorado.

Section 5. The Town Clerk shall certify the passage of this Ordinance and cause notice of its contents and passage to be published.

Section 8. Except as otherwise specifically provided herein, the provisions enacted by this Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after publication as provided by law.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 14th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2024.

TOWN OF PIERCE

By: Cathy Ortiz
Cathy Ortiz, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kristina Duran
Kristina Duran, Town Clerk