

## ORDINANCE NO. 2024-003

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RE-ENACTING SECTION 8.0705 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF KILLDEER RELATING TO ANIMAL OWNERSHIP.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KILLDEER, NORTH DAKOTA, AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1: City Code section 8.0705 entitled "Impoundment" is hereby amended and re-enacted as follows:**

### 8.0705 Impoundment

A. Any dog or cat found at large may be impounded by the Killdeer City Police in an animal shelter and confined in a humane manner. Immediately upon impounding a dog or cat, the Killdeer Police shall make every reasonable effort to notify the owner and inform such owner of the conditions whereby custody of the animal may be regained. Dogs and cats not claimed by their owners within ~~three (3)~~ five (5) full days shall become the property of the City of Killdeer, at which point they will either be adopted or euthanized.

B. When a dog or cat is found running at large and its ownership is verified by the Killdeer Police, the authority may exercise the option of serving the owner with a notice of violation in lieu of impounding the animal.

C. Impoundment fees, as set by the City will be payable to the person or entity holding the animal before the animal shall be released from impoundment.


D. In the event that the Killdeer Police finds dogs or cats at large, which are suffering or have been injured, it shall have the right forthwith to remove or cause to have removed any such animals to a safe place for veterinary care and assessment at the owner's expense or to euthanize them when necessary to prevent further suffering.

E. Impoundment fees for this chapter are set as: One hundred dollar (\$100.00) intake fee and \$10 dollars each day thereafter the animal is in impound. If an animal is licensed, the license is up to date, and the animal is wearing the license issued by the city, the impound fee may be waived if the animal is claimed within ~~Four (4)~~ Eight (8) hours, for a first-time offense.

**Section 2: Repeal of Ordinances in Effect. All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.**

**Section 3: Severability. In the event any section of this Ordinance is held invalid by court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity shall extend only to the section affected, and other sections of this Ordinance shall continue in full force and effect.**

**Section 4: Effective Date: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after final passage.**

  
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By: Joel Spethman  
City Commission President, City of Killdeer

ATTEST:

  
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Matt Oase, City Auditor

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