CITY OF TORONTO

BY-LAW No. 495-2011

To amend City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 442, Fees and Charges, Administration of, respecting adoption, impoundment, surrender and sheltering fees for dogs or cats.

WHEREAS the City considers it in its best interests to effectively manage the number of cats and dogs in its shelters and encourage measures likely to reduce pressures on its capacity to shelter dogs or cats;

The Council of the City of Toronto HEREBY ENACTS as follows:

1. Section 442-6 of Municipal Code Chapter 442, Fees and Charges, Administration of, is amended as follows:

A. Section 442-6A is amended by deleting the words "This section" where they appear in the first line and substituting the words "Sections 442-6A, B, C, D and E" for the deletion.

B. By adding the following:

F. Reducing or waiving adoption fees for dogs or cats.

(1) The fees for adopting cats or dogs payable under Appendix C, Schedule 12 of Chapter 441 may be reduced or waived at the discretion of the Executive Director, or his or her designate, if the Executive Director or his or her designate is of the opinion that:

(a) The number of cats or dogs in Toronto Animal Services' shelters is at or near capacity;

(b) Cats or dogs in Toronto Animal Services' shelters do not meet Toronto Animal Services general adoption criteria; or

(c) It is appropriate to promote dog or cat adoptions at Toronto Animal Services' shelters provided that the promotions do not exceed two (2) consecutive weeks at any given time or six (6) weeks in a calendar year.
G. Reducing or waiving impoundment, surrender or sheltering fees for dogs or cats.

The fees for impounding, surrendering or sheltering dogs or cats payable under Appendix C of Schedule 12 of Chapter 441 may be reduced or waived at the discretion of the Executive Director or his or her designate for compassionate reasons acceptable to the Executive Director or his or her designate.

ENACTED AND PASSED this 13th day of April, A.D. 2011.

FRANCES NUNZIATA, Speaker

ULLI S. WATKISS, City Clerk

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