

**DRAFT ORDINANCE TO  
AMEND CHAPTER 228, ARTICLE I, SECTION 228-1 & 228-2  
OF THE CITY OF WATERTOWN GENERAL ORDINANCES**

**SPONSOR: MAYOR MCFARLAND  
FROM: FINANCE COMMITTEE**

THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATERTOWN DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1.**

Section 228-1 "License required" is hereby amended to read as follows:

§ 228-1(A). Every owner of a dog more than five months of age on January 1 of any year or five months of age within the license year shall annually, or within 30 days from the date of such dog becoming five months of age, pay a dog license tax as set by the Common Council and provided under the separate fee schedule for each neutered male dog and spayed female dog and for each male dog and female dog that has not been neutered or spayed, ~~or ½ of those amounts if the dog becomes five months of age after July of the license year. A kennel license shall be available at an annual cost as set by the common Council and provided under separate fee schedule.~~

Section 228-2 "Delinquent payments" is hereby amended to read as follows:

§ 228-2. The City Clerk shall assess and collect an additional charge as set by the Common Council and provided under separate fee schedule from every owner of a dog more than five months of age, where such owner fails to obtain a license prior to April 1, ~~or within 30 days of requiring ownership of a licensable dog, or where such owner fails to obtain a license within 30 days after the dog has reached licensable age.~~, **or where such owner fails to obtain a license within 30 days after city residency has been established.**

**SECTION 2.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 3.** This ordinance shall take effect and be in force the day after its passage and publication.

| <i>DATE:</i>    | <i>March 19, 2024</i> |           | <i>April 1, 2024</i> |           |
|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------|----------------------|-----------|
| <i>READING:</i> | <i>1ST</i>            |           | <i>2ND</i>           |           |
|                 | <i>YES</i>            | <i>NO</i> | <i>YES</i>           | <i>NO</i> |
| DAVIS           |                       |           |                      |           |
| LAMPE           |                       |           |                      |           |
| BOARD           |                       |           |                      |           |
| BARTZ           |                       |           |                      |           |
| BLANKE          |                       |           |                      |           |
| SMITH           |                       |           |                      |           |
| SCHMID          |                       |           |                      |           |
| WETZEL          |                       |           |                      |           |
| MOLDENHAUER     |                       |           |                      |           |
| MAYOR MCFARLAND |                       |           |                      |           |
| <i>TOTAL</i>    |                       |           |                      |           |

ADOPTED: April 1, 2024

APPROVED: April 1, 2024

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CITY CLERK

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MAYOR