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	Agenda Item No. 53B Roll Call No. [_____] Communication No. <u>12-097</u> Submitted by: Judy A. Bradshaw, Chief of Police

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving an amendment to the Schedule of Fees applicable to the Animal Control ordinance in Chapter 18 Article I of the Municipal Code

SYNOPSIS:

Chapter 18 Article I section 18-18 of the Municipal Code of the City of Des Moines proposed to be enacted provides for various fees for animal relinquishments and live animal trap deposits in the amounts set in the Schedule of Fees adopted by the City Council by resolution. The proposed amendment would establish the fees to the citizens who wish to relinquish their animals. The ordinance allows a contractor that operates the animal shelter and takes possession of the animals to collect and retain these fees. These fees are reference in the proposed contract with the Animal Rescue League (ARL). The fees will assist the ARL with the financial decline proposed in the new contract for these services.

FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The proposed amendment to the Schedule of Fees reflects efforts made by the Police Department and the ARL to offer Animal Control services and Animal Shelter services to the citizens of Des Moines with as little change as possible in the level of service presently employed by contract. The establishment of these fees will allow the ARL the opportunity to defray some the expenses incurred through the financial support the fees would create.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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