ORDINANCE NO. 17834

AN ORDINANCE introduced by Councilmember Clark Duffy relating to redemption of a cat after payment of impoundment fees, amending City of Topeka Code § 18-239, Redemption, and specifically repealing said original section.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TOPEKA, KANSAS:

Section 1. That City of Topeka Code Section 18-239, Redemption, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 2. (a) The owner shall be entitled to resume possession of any impounded cat, except as provided in this section, upon compliance with the permit provisions of this article and payment of the impoundment fees set forth in this section to the humane society.

(b) The impoundment fee for a cat shall be $40.00 for each cat, plus $2.00 for each day such cat is kept after the expiration of the legal detention period.

(c) No owner shall be allowed to redeem any cat impounded for being a public nuisance, unless such redemption is authorized by any court having jurisdiction.

(d) No owner shall be allowed to redeem any cat found to be rabid or any cat which has been bitten by a rabid animal, unless such redemption is authorized by any court having jurisdiction.

(e) No owner shall be allowed to redeem any cat when, in the judgment of the animal shelter or humane society, the cat should be destroyed for humane reasons.
(f)(e) If a person is adjudicated guilty of the crime of cruelty to animals and the court is satisfied that an animal owned or possessed by such person would be in the future subjected to such crime, such animal shall not be returned to or remain with such person. Such animal may be turned over to a duly incorporated humane society or licensed veterinarian for sale or other disposition.

Section 3. That City of Topeka Code § 18-239 is hereby specifically repealed.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, approval, and publication in the official City newspaper.

PASSED and APPROVED by the City Council

MAY 14 2002

ATTEST:

Harry Felker, Mayor

Iris E. Walker, City Clerk

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