CHAPTER 56

DOG LICENSE REQUIRED

56.01 ANNUAL LICENSE REQUIRED.

1. Every owner of a dog over the age of four (4) months shall procure a
dog license from the Clerk on or before the first day of January of each year.

2. Such license may be procured after January 1 and at any time for a dog
which has come into the possession or ownership of the applicant or which has
reached the age of three (3) months after said date.

3. The owner of a dog for which a license is required shall apply to the
Clerk on forms provided by the Clerk.

4. The form of the application shall state the breed, sex, age, color,
markings, and name, if any, of the dog, and the address of the owner and shall
be signed by the owner. The application shall also state the date of the most
recent rabies vaccination, the type of vaccine administered and the date the dog
shall be revaccinated.

5. All licenses shall expire on January 1 of the year following the date of
issuance.

56.02 LICENSE FEES. The annual license fee shall be as established by resolution
of the Council.

56.03 DELINQUENCY. All license fees shall become delinquent on the first day
of July of the year in which they are due and a delinquent penalty of one dollar ($1.00)
shall be added to each unpaid license on and after said date.

56.04 LICENSE TAGS. Upon receipt of the application and fee, the Clerk shall
deliver or mail to the owner a license which shall be in the form of a metal tag
stamped with the serial number of the license as shown on the record book of the
Clerk, the year in which it is issued, and the name of the City. The license tag shall be
securely fastened by the owner to a collar or harness which shall be worn at all times
by the dog for which issued. A license issued for one dog shall not be transferable to
another dog. Upon the expiration of the license the owner shall remove said tag from
the dog.

56.05 LICENSE RECORDS. The Clerk shall keep a book to be known as the
record of licenses which shall show:
(Code of Iowa, Sec. 351.11 and 351.22)

1. The serial number and date of each application for a license.
2. The description of the dog as specified in the application, together with the name of the owner of the dog.
3. The date when each license tag is issued and the serial number of each tag, the date of the most recent rabies vaccination, the type of vaccine administered, and the date the dog shall be revaccinated.
4. The amount of all fees paid.
5. Such other data as may be required by law.

56.06 IMMUNIZATION. Before a license is issued, the owner shall furnish a veterinarian’s certificate showing that the dog for which the license is sought has been vaccinated against rabies, and that the vaccination does not expire within six months from the effective date of the dog license. A tag showing evidence of proper vaccination shall at all times be attached to the collar of the dog.

56.07 DUPLICATE TAGS. Upon the filing of an affidavit that the license tag has been lost or destroyed, the owner may obtain another tag on the payment of one dollar ($1.00) and the Clerk shall enter in the license record the new number assigned.

56.08 TRANSFERS OF LICENSED DOGS. Upon transfer of a licensed dog into the City, the owner shall surrender the original license tag to the Clerk. The Clerk shall preserve the surrendered tag and, without a license fee, issue a new license tag.

56.09 KENNEL DOGS. Dogs kept in state or federally licensed kennels, which are kept or raised solely for the bona fide purpose of sale and which are kept under constant restraint, are not subject to the provisions of this chapter.