

These policies have been established to ensure the well being of your pet and the community in which they live.

All the Policies listed can be found in the Code of Ordinances established by the City of La Feria.

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LICENSES are Required

An application must be filled out for for every cat or dog over 4 months old living in the city limits of La Feria.

Proof of Rabies vaccination by a licensed Veterinarian within 7 days of the application is required.

Applications are available at City Hall and on the city website at www.cityoflaferia.com under Forms.

The License Fee is \$2.00

The Licensing process is required annually.

Each License contains the following:

City of La Feria

License Number

Applications will be kept on file at City Hall and ALL License Numbers with information about the assigned pet will be recorder for the purpose of Pet Identification.

RUNNING AT LARGE

No dogs or cats shall run at large within the city limits. **Any dog or cat running at large shall be impounded** if the same is not on a leash. Dogs shall not be left unattended on a chain if same is not on the premises of the owner.

If an animal is picked up, it will be held by the city for forty-eight (48) hours.

During this period, efforts will be made to identify and advise the owner of such animal to claim same and resolve any associated charges and/or fees. If, after the forty-eight-hour period, the owner cannot be located, attempts will be made to locate the animal with a humane society in the local area. If these attempts are successful, the animal will be transported to such accepting shelter. If the attempts are unsuccessful, the animal will be turned over to the county health department and the city will authorize the animal to be destroyed.

If **the owner** is subsequently identified, he/ she **will be required to pay all fees and/ or charges** for the above-described services. Paying these fees and/or charges does not negate fines which can be assessed by the city for violation of the provisions of this article. If such fees, fines and/or charges are not paid, the city will file charges against the owner for nonpayment in municipal court and/or small claims court. (1995 Code, sec. 2.105; Ordinance adopting Code)

PETS IN THE PARK

It shall be unlawful for any person who owns a dog or other animal, or has a dog or other animal under their control, to permit such dog or other animal to be in any city park unless **restricted by a leash**.



It shall be unlawful for owner or person in control of an animal, to intentionally, knowingly, recklessly, or with criminal negligence allow or permit such animal to defecate on any property or improved private property other that that of the owner. It shall be a defense to prosecution under this section that the owner or person in control of the animal immediately remove and clean up such animal feces from public or private property.

