


ANIMAL CONTROL POLICIES & PROCEDURES

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SECTIONS 1 AND 2

- ▶ At the direction of the City Manager, all Departments must develop an SOP / P&P for all activities within their respective areas of responsibility.
 - ▶ Due to a recent animal death, the P&P for addressing these types of calls was completed first.
 - ▶ Sections 1 and 2 of the Animal Control Policy and Procedure manual are complete copies of City Ordinance Chapter 4 – Animals and State Statute 828.
 - ▶ All sections include personal protection and safety precautions.
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SECTION __ - ANIMAL DEATH

- ▶ Animal Control deals with a wide variety of animals and dead animals – not just dogs. This section covers all these different cases.
 - ▶ There are four types of domestic deaths that we address – natural deaths, deaths due to animal vs. animal attacks, suspicious deaths and negligent or intentional deaths.
 - ▶ Suspicious deaths may involve the FPPD while negligent or intentional deaths will always require FPPD response.
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SECTION __ - ABUSE, CRUELTY, NEGLECT

- ▶ Animal Control has three levels of responses:
 - ▶ Serious – there are serious issues but temporary measures can be taken such as providing food / water.
 - ▶ Imminent Danger – the animal is in danger of suffering severe harm if left in the situation. ACO's have the authority to remove the animal.
 - ▶ Emergency Response – the animal requires immediate medical treatment.
- ▶ Similar to Animal Death procedures, Imminent Danger may require FPPD involvement while Emergency Response will always require an FPPD response.

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SECTION __ - RUNNING AT LARGE

- ▶ Animal Control responds to a wide variety of animals running loose in the city from domestic animals to livestock and each response varies greatly depending upon the circumstances.
 - ▶ Running at Large is often a cause of dead animal investigations. Accidental single events are a tragic accident but multiple and repeat violations may be declared animal negligence.
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Questions?

