

PUBLIC AGENDA ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ANIMAL CONTROL

Thursday, September 15, 2016, 11:30 a.m.

Committee Room E, Ground Floor, City Hall

Committee Members:

Ms. A. Ziegler, Chair Ms. M. Gieni, Vice-Chair Councillor Z. Jeffries

Dr. D. Hockley

Dr. E. Hudson

Ms. K. Shymko

Ms. J. Thomson

Dr. K. Sheehan

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Recommendation

That the agenda be confirmed as presented.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Recommendation

That the minutes of Regular Meeting of the Advisory Committee on Animal Control held on June 23, 2016 be adopted.

- 4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
- 5. REPORT OF THE CHAIR (CK. 225-9)

Verbal Update - A. Ziegler

Recommendation

That the information be received.

- 6. COMMUNICATIONS
- 7. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION
 - 7.1 Report of Open Space Consultant (CK. 151-18)

Verbal Update

Recommendation

That the information be received.

7.2 Court Report - Animal Control Bylaw Prosecutions (CK. 435-17)

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Verbal Update - J. Manastyrski

Attached for the Committee's information is the June and July, 2016 reports.

Recommendation

That the information be received.

8. ANNUAL BYLAW REVIEW - BYLAW NO. 7860 - THE ANIMAL CONTROL BYLAW, 1999 AND BYLAW NO. 8176 - THE DANGEROUS ANIMALS BYLAW, 2003 (CK. 151-1)

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The Committee at its meeting held June 23, 2016 resolved that the Animal Control Agency's proposed amendments to *The Dangerous Animals Bylaw, 2003* be presented to the Committee for further discussion and action.

Attached for the Committee's information is a copy of the proposed amendments.

Recommendation

That the direction of Committee issue.

9. AGENCY REPRESENTATION - SASKATOON ACADEMY OF VETERINARY PRACTITIONERS (CK. 225-9)

Verbal Update - D. Sackmann, Committee Assistant

Recommendation

That the direction of Committee issue.

10. ANIMAL IMPOUNDING SERVICES - STATISTICS (CK. 435-6)

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Verbal Update - P. Cameron, Executive Director, Saskatoon SPCA

Attached for the Committee's information are the May to July, 2016 statistics.

Recommendation

That the information be received.

11. STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

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Attached is a current Statement of Expenditures.

Recommendation

That the information be received.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Office of the City Solicitor June 2016 COURT REPORT Animal Control Bylaw Prosecutions - City of Saskatoon

		2016		2015			
Convictions/Orders	No.	Average Fine	No.	Average Fine			
Cat at Large	1	\$100.00 + \$50.00 surcharge	1	\$100.00 + \$50.00 surcharge			
Cat at Large	1	\$200.00 + \$50.00 surcharge					
Cat at Large	1	\$300.00 + \$60.00 surcharge					
Cat With No License			1	\$250.00 + \$60.00 surcharge			
Cat With No License	1	\$300.00 + \$60.00 surcharge					
Dog at Large	10	\$100.00 + \$50.00 surcharge	3	\$100.00 + \$50.00 surcharge			
Dog at Large	3	\$200.00 + \$50.00 surcharge					
Dog at Large			2	\$300.00 + \$60.00 surcharge			
Dog with No License	13	\$250.00 + \$60.00 surcharge	5	\$250.00 + \$60.00 surcharge			
Dog with No License			1	\$300.00 + \$60.00 surcharge			
Fail to Comply with Order			3	\$500.00 + \$60.00 surcharge			
Dog Attack Dog	2	\$250.00 + \$60.00 surcharge	1	\$250.00 + \$60.00 surcharge			
Dog Barking/Howling (Nuisance)	2	\$100.00 + \$50.00 surcharge					
Fail to Carry Leash not Exceeding 2m in Length (Off-Leash Area)	2	\$100.00 + \$50.00 surcharge					
Designated Area where Dogs Not Permitted	2	\$100.00 + \$50.00 surcharge					
Total Convictions/Orders	38		17				
Other Outcomes							
Withdrawn	2		2				
Dismissed	5		1				
Total Other Outcomes	7		3				
Total Charges Before Court	45	\$6,850.00 + \$2,070.00 surcharges	20	\$4,550.00 + \$980.00 surcharges			

Only those violations dealt with by the Court are recorded in this report. The number of fines paid voluntarily are not included.

ce: Advisory Committee on Animal Control (Office of the City Clerk)

Eva Alexandrovici, SACA (306-931-9792)

City Solicitor

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Office of the City Solicitor July 2016 COURT REPORT Animal Control Bylaw Prosecutions - City of Saskatoon

	2016		2015			
Convictions/Orders	No.	Average Fine	No.	Average Fine		
Cat at Large	4	\$100.00 + \$50.00 surcharge	3	\$100.00 + \$50.00 surcharge		
Cat at Large	1	\$200.00 + \$50.00 surcharge	3	\$200.00 + \$50.00 surcharge		
Cat at Large			1	\$300.00 + \$60.00 surcharge		
Cat with No License	2	\$250.00 + \$60.00 surcharge	2	\$250.00 + \$60.00 surcharge		
Cat with No License	1	\$300.00 + \$60.00 surcharge				
Cat with No License			1	\$350.00 + \$60.00 surcharge		
Dog at Large	7	\$100.00 + \$50.00 surcharge	6	\$100.00 + \$50.00 surcharge		
Dog at Large			3	\$200.00 + \$50.00 surcharge		
Dog at Large	1	\$300.00 + \$60.00 surcharge	3	\$300.00 + \$60.00 surcharge		
Dog with No License	15	\$250.00 + \$60.00 surcharge	7	\$250.00 + \$60.00 surcharge		
Dog with No License	1	\$300.00 + \$60.00 surcharge				
Dog with No License			1	\$350.00 + \$60.00 surcharge		
Dog Collar			1	\$50.00 + \$40.00 surcharge		
Fail to Comply with Order	1	\$500.00 + \$80.00 surcharge				
Dog Attack Dog	1	\$250.00 + \$60.00 surcharge				
Dog feces accumulate						
Dog Barking (Nuisance)	1	\$100.00 + \$50.00 surcharge	1	\$100.00 + \$50.00 surcharge		
Total Convictions/Orders						
Other Outcomes						
Withdrawn			1			
Dismissed	4		2			
Total Other Outcomes	4		3			
Total Charges Before Court	39	\$7,300.00 + \$1,990.00 surcharges	35	\$6,400.00 + \$1,740.00 surcharges		

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Requested changes to The Dangerous Animals Bylaw No. 8176

1. Section 8(4)(a)

"If the owner removes the animal from the owner's property, the owner shall muzzle and leash it in accordance with the criteria prescribed in Section 16 and keep it under direct control and supervision;"

This does not deal with the animal while the animal is still on the property but not in the enclosure or the dwelling. It is unclear what the requirements are while the animal is in the yard, but not in the enclosure. For example, when the animal is being walked to the enclosure from the house.

2. Section (5)(a)

"the owner shall keep the animal in an enclosure which complies with the criteria prescribed is Section 19;"

We have been allowing owners to house their animals in the house/dwelling. According to the current wording, the animal can only be kept in the enclosure. I would like to add house/dwelling into the bylaw as well.

3. Section 19 Enclosures for Dangerous Animals

Define enclosure; free standing structure which complies with zoning and is separate from an outbuilding or dwelling. Cannot be an accessory building.

- (f) the enclosure shall:
- (ii) provide adequate light and ventilation for the animal;

Add the word **natural** light.

4. Sustenance fee for DA seizures

The current bylaw does not deal with the responsibility for the payment of the costs in the event that an animal is seized.

Other changes raised by other committee members:

- 1. Making it clear that parking lots are not part of the Off-Leash Parks.
- 2. Increase Pound Services sustenance fees.
- 3. Reduce SPCA's holding period from current 96 hours to 72 hours.

The Saskatoon SPCA advises that the holding time identified in the Bylaw be reduced from the current 96 hours (4 days hold and day they were brought in to the SPCA) to 72 hours. When owners show up to redeem a pet, the majority do so within 2 days of the loss of their pet. The current lengthy hold period is hard on the animals and expensive, generally for no good purpose because the majority of animals left more than 72 hours do not get redeemed. Shorter holding times put the onus/responsibility on the pet owner, where it should be.

Animal Impounding Services - Statistics

MAY 2016 INTAKE

SOURCE	CATS	DOGS	OTHE	₹
BYLAW	128 (46%)	52 (49%)	1 (7%	6)
OTHER	149	55	13	
TOTAL	277	107	14	TOTAL INTAKE: 374

(49% brought in under bylaw)

JUNE 2016 INTAKE

SOURCE	CATS	DOGS	OTHER	₹
BYLAW	77 (34%)	46 (42%)	0 (0%)
OTHER	151	63	17	
TOTAL	228	109	17	TOTAL INTAKE: 354

(35% brought in under bylaw)

JULY 2016 INTAKE

SOURCE	CATS	DOGS	OTHER	₹
BYLAW	113 (46%)	40 (33%)	0 (0%	6)
OTHER	133	80	10	
TOTAL	246	120	10	TOTAL INTAKE: 376

(41% brought in under bylaw)

GRAND TOTAL MAY to JULY 2016

SOURCE	CATS	DOGS	OTHER	
BYLAW	318	138	1	
OTHER	433	198	40	
	751	336	41	GRAND TOTAL INTAKE: 1128

(41% brought in under bylaw)

	01-5597-103 - ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ANIMAL CONTROL - 2016 BUDGET - \$21,300							
DATE	NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	DEBIT	DEBIT CREDIT		GL	TOTAL SPENT	UDGET MAINING
		Beginning Balance			0			\$21,300
Apr 11/2016	AP198	Pet Wellness Brochure		\$ -	\$ 6,300.00		\$6,300.00	\$ 15,000.00
May 2/2016	R566306	Insightrix Research - Completion of 2015/2016 Market Research Project regarding Pet Licensing	\$ 9,000.00	\$ -	\$ 9,000.00		\$ 9,000.00	\$ 6,000.00

2016 Budget	
Public Education/Initiatives	\$15,300
Dog Bite Awareness Campaign	\$6,000
Total 2016 Budget	\$21,300
2016 Forecast	
2016 Variance	\$21,300