

Topic: C-PE09 Dog Spay / Neuter Adoption Program Policy

Introduction:

Administration wishes to present revisions to C-PE09 Dog Spay / Neuter Adoption Program Policy, for Council's approval.

Facts (Background Information):

Policy and procedure development policies were first introduced to and approved by Council in 2008 when Parkland County committed to a new approach to the updating and development of its corporate policies. Separating administrative and operational matters from Council policies has been a long and evolutionary process, however a lot of progress has been made, particularly in the past few years, as staff have developed a better understanding of the differences between Council Policy and Administrative Directives and Procedures.

Community and Protective Services – Enforcement Services continues to review and update policies that are in the area of responsibility, bringing forward recommendations to Council to rescind or approve changes. To assist in this ongoing corporate review and updating of policies it is important for Dog Spay / Neuter Adoption Program Policy C-PE09 to reflect the current terminology and practices.

Analysis:

The changes presented in Policy C-PE09 include:

- a. Shortening of the wording
- b. Includes references to cats and dogs (not just dogs and pets)
- c. Definition of "Adopter" has been added
- d. A requirement of animals to pass behavior evaluation has been added.

Alternatives:

1. None

Conclusion/Summary:

Administration supports Council approving C-PE09 Dog Spay / Neuter and Adoption Program Policy.

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