

SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



ITEM: 3.18
(ID # 14338)

MEETING DATE:
Tuesday, February 02, 2021

FROM : ANIMAL SERVICES:

SUBJECT: ANIMAL SERVICES: Initiation of an Amendment to Ordinance No. 771, An Ordinance of the County of Riverside Controlling Potentially Dangerous and Dangerous Animals; All Districts; [\$0]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Adopt an order initiating an amendment to Ordinance No. 771, an Ordinance of the County of Riverside Controlling Potentially Dangerous and Dangerous Animals that would update ordinance provisions; and
2. Direct the Department of Animal Services to prepare and process the amendments to Ordinance No. 771 in consultation with County Counsel.

ACTION: Policy

Julie Bank

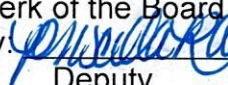
Julie Bank, Director of Animal Services

1/7/2021

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Jeffries, seconded by Supervisor Hewitt and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez, and Hewitt
Nays: None
Absent: None
Date: February 2, 2021
xc: Animal Services

Kecia R. Harper
Clerk of the Board
By: 
Deputy

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: N/A			Budget Adjustment:	No
			For Fiscal Year:	20/21

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BACKGROUND:

Summary

The Department of Animal Services (DAS) requests Board of Supervisors approval to initiate an amendment to Ordinance No. 771. The Department will work with County Counsel to prepare an amendment. All provisions will be in accordance with local and State law.

Ordinance No. 771.2: An Ordinance of the County of Riverside Controlling Potentially Dangerous and Dangerous Animals. DAS last revised this ordinance on January 24, 2017, Minute Order 3.14.

DAS desires to create a clear and concise ordinance and increase efficiency of the process to deem a dog potentially dangerous or dangerous. DAS would like to strengthen the Department's ability to monitor potentially dangerous or dangerous dogs and hold reckless dog owners accountable for their pet's actions. The Department will also review the ability to enforce proper restraint methods of potentially dangerous and dangerous dogs.

The Riverside County Department of Animal Services (DAS) operates three shelters throughout Riverside County, which provide a variety of services including shelter services, public safety and enforcement services, and veterinary services. The shelters are located in Jurupa Valley, San Jacinto, Thousand Palms, and Blythe. The San Jacinto shelter does not shelter animals, but clinic services are performed out of the campus, and field officers are stationed there.

Impact on Residents and Businesses

The updates to the ordinance is necessary to provide efficient services and essential programs to Riverside County residents and their animals.


Douglas Cordonez Jr.


1/25/2021


Gregory H. Priarios, Director County Counsel 1/11/2021