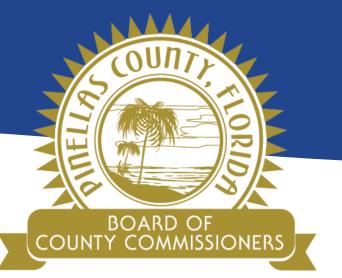
Proposed Chapter 14 Ordinance Recommendations

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Our Vision:

To Be the Standard for Public Service in America

Chapter 14 Revision Recommendations



Objective

- Strengthen oversight of Retail Pet Sales to protect the animals in the county and the consumers purchasing them.
- Restore definitions unintentionally removed in previous revisions to clarify the meaning of terms within our current ordinance.
- Modify reporting method for Public Nuisance Animals to provide better service to our residents.
- Modern disaster impoundment practices to more quickly find animals forever homes and reduce unnecessary long-term stays at the shelter.

14-29 Retail Pet Sales

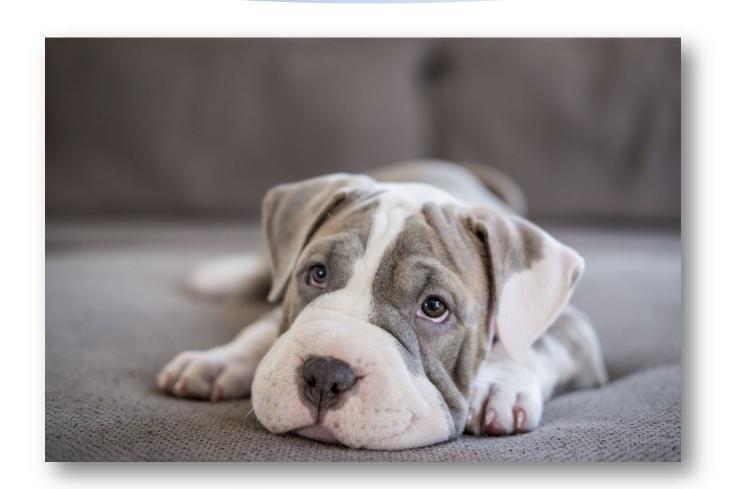






Inspection & Housing Updates:

- Increase unannounced permit Inspections from 1 to 2 annually
- Require minimum 50% solid flooring in puppy kennels





Protocols & Transparency

- Require protocols for veterinary care, disaster plans, enrichment & sanitation
- Display Official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (OCVI)
 & Pet Lemon Law information on each kennel for consumer awareness





Reporting Enhancements

- Monthly point of sales & OCVIs uploaded digitally on county Sharepoint site
- Animal Transport List submission to department monthly
- Puppy deaths reported within 3 days; necropsy required if no veterinary care is provided





Enforcement Authority Pertaining to Cruelty or Neglect Violations

- Citations can be written to maximum allowable fine (\$500)
- Immediate 7-day permit suspension for cruelty/neglect citations
- Officer follow-up within 3 business days
- Suspension renewable for additional 7 days for noncompliance or disease risk



Additional Chapter 14 Recommendations



14-26 Definitions

14-30 Public Nuisance Animal

14-48 Impoundment



Definitions: Restore to Chapter 14-26



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- Feral Cat Colony Caretaker
- Humane Organization
- Humane or Humanely
- Private Animal Non-Profit Organization
- Removing voice & visual commands from the definition of Physical Control
- Quarantine
- Unsanitary Conditions



New Definitions





New:

- Photographic Documentation
- Video Documentation

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Public Nuisance Reporting Simplified (Section 14-30)



Current

- Behavior must occur on two separate dates within a threeday period for more than one sustained period of 15 minutes over the course of 8 hours
- Two affidavits from two separate households are required to report

Proposed

Remove complex timeframes

Allow single affidavit + video/photo documentation

Disaster Impoundment Modernization (Section 14-48)



- Modernize Disaster Impoundment hold times based on proactive steps to Include pets in Pinellas County Disaster Plans
- Set a standard 14-day hold for all animals impounded during disasters vs. current 10-30 day hold times
- Eliminate 120-day Adoption Return Clause



Thank you!



