

City of Minneapolis

Request for Committee Action

To: Health, Environment & Community Engagement
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Referral: Ways & Means
From: Regulatory Services
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File type: Ordinance
Subcategory: Code Amendment

Subject:

Amending Title 4 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Animals and Fowl by amending, repealing, renaming and adding various provisions, sections, articles and chapters related to the care, control and regulation of animals

Description:

1. Amending the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances to repeal Title 4, titled Animals and Fowl, and to replace it with new Title 4, be to titled Animal Care and Control.
2. Amending the fee schedule to correspond with the new Title 4.

Public hearing on proposed amendments to Title 4 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Animals and Fowl and related fee schedule.

Previous Actions:

June 19, 2015: [City Council Agenda](#)
June 19, 2015: [Official Proceedings](#)
July 10, 2015: [City Council Agenda](#)
July 10, 2015: [Official Proceedings](#)
July 13, 2015: [HECE Agenda](#)
July 13, 2015: [HECE Committee Report](#)

Ward/Address:

All Wards

Background/Analysis:

In 2014, the City Council asked staff to review ordinances governing Minneapolis Animal Care & Control (MACC). After substantial review, it became clear that the most effective way to make changes was to rewrite the entire ordinance to provide clear, concise ordinances that provide uniform standards of care for all animals in the city.

Working with the City Attorney's Office, the Department of Regulatory Services has created an ordinance that clearly defines the mission of MACC and sets modern standards for animal protection in the city of Minneapolis.

The comprehensive changes modernize the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances with regard to current best practices and include stakeholder input, public comment and staff recommendations.

In addition, the Department of Regulatory Services is recommending the adoption of the following fee schedule, designed to bring MACC in line with actual costs in most areas and connects fees to our mission of dramatically reducing euthanasia.

Financial Review:

No additional appropriation required, amount included in current budget.

Future budget impact anticipated.

We anticipate a slight rise in revenues associated with the changes to the fee schedule, though not substantial enough to bring Minneapolis Animal Care & Control into cost neutrality.

Approved by the Permanent Review Committee.

Meets Small and Underutilized Business Program goals.

Attachments:

1. Presentation
2. Fee Schedule
3. Ordinance language