

WASHOE COUNTY REGIONAL ANIMAL SERVICES CODE REVISION PROCESS

- Washoe County Code Chapter 55 has not been updated since inception, 2005
 - Several factors are driving the need to update:
 - Legislative changes
 - Department changes
 - Language clarifications/clean up
 - Programs, services and community needs evolve, requiring periodic updates to Code
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FERAL CAT CODE

- New code section to facilitate a feral cat management program in Washoe County
 - Sponsor group (501)(c3) will partner with WCRAS to accept, spay/neuter, vaccinate and return cats to a monitored colony
 - Colonies will be monitored by caretakers who are partnering with the Sponsor
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ACO POWERS AND DIRECTOR AUTHORITY AND DUTIES

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- Clarification of enforcement authority

Director Authority and Duties

- Creation of the Department
- Creation of Director of Animal Services

DANGEROUS DOG DETERMINATION (55.750)

Proposed changes will tighten up public safety measures and align with changes to NRS.

- Declaring dog dangerous based solely on breed is prohibited per NRS 202.500
- Increased insurance requirements to dog owner
- Increased caging requirements
- Monitoring of previously declared dangerous dogs entering Washoe County
- Clarification of criteria used to assist in declaring a dog dangerous

QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?

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