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#### **ORDER OF DISMISSAL**

SUBJECT: Regional Animal Services of King County file nos. **V19009096, V19009112, V18008257, V18008811, V17006693, & V17006833** 

# ANNA FIGARSKA-DANIELI

Animal Services Enforcement Appeal

Activity no.: A19000700, A19000817, A18002690, A18005320, & A17002766

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In May 2019, we stayed Appellant's pending appeals, while Appellant sought Superior Court review on whether we have jurisdiction to hear animal-related appeals arising from Bellevue.

Tuesday afternoon, we received the court's written determination that we do not have jurisdiction.

We thus DISMISS the six appeals on our docket involving Appellant.

We do not know exactly where that leaves things here. Our dismissal is <u>not</u> a ruling on the merits, and it does not resolve whether the violations alleged in the various Animal Services notices and orders occurred or not. With respect to the status of such notices and orders, we understand from our counsel in the Superior Court litigation that there may be some dispute as to whether they have been dismissed or not. We have not at any time been informed by the parties of any such actions, and we draw no conclusions. All we can say with certainty is that, until the Bellevue City Council amends its code, we have no jurisdiction over this or any other animal dispute arising from Bellevue.

DATED November 19, 2020.

David Spohr Hearing Examiner 

#### NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

King County Code 20.22.040 directs the Examiner to make the County's final decision for this type of case. This decision shall be final and conclusive unless appealed to superior court by *December 21, 2020*. Either party may appeal this decision by applying for a writ of review in superior court in accordance with chapter 7.16 RCW.

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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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- I, Lauren Olson, certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that I transmitted the **ORDER OF DISMISSAL** to those listed on the attached page as follows:
- EMAILED to all County staff listed as parties/interested persons and parties with e-mail addresses on record.
- □ placed with the United States Postal Service, with sufficient postage, as FIRST CLASS
   MAIL in an envelope addressed to the non-County employee parties/interested persons to
   addresses on record.

DATED November 19, 2020.

Lauren Olson

Legislative Secretary

Lauren Olson

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