March 2, 2022

OFFICE OF THE HEARING EXAMINER KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

King County Courthouse 516 Third Avenue Room 1200 Seattle, Washington 98104 Telephone (206) 477-0860 <u>hearingexaminer@kingcounty.gov</u> www.kingcounty.gov/independent/hearing-examiner

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

SUBJECT: Regional Animal Services of King County file no. V21011974-A21001804

CHRISTIAN VAZQUEZ-LOPEZ

Animal Services Enforcement Appeal

Activity no.:	A21001804
Appellant:	Christian Vazquez-Lopez
	Kent, WA 98042
	Telephone:
	Email:
King County:	Regional Animal Services of King County
	represented by Rebecca Smokoska
	Regional Animal Services of King County
	21615 64th Avenue S
	Kent, WA 98032
	Telephone: (206) 263-5968
	Email: raskcappeals@kingcounty.gov

Animal Services emailed that the complainants in V21011974 and V21012887 no longer wished to participate in the process, and it requested that the cases be dismissed without prejudice.

We never received an appeal in V21012887, and so have no action to take there. We do have jurisdiction over V21011974, which we DISMISS WITHOUT PREJUDICE. A dismissal without prejudice is not a finding on the merits, and it does not preclude Animal Services from issuing a later notice and order for the same underlying facts.

We CANCEL our hearing in V21011974, originally scheduled for April 19, 2022.

If for some reason we have misunderstood the situation, by **April 1, 2022,** either party is free to file, with the examiner, a motion for reconsideration explaining why the examiner should not be dismissing this appeal. Filing a timely motion for reconsideration postpones the deadline (described below the signature line) for lodging an appeal.

DATED March 2, 2022.

- m

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 *April 1, 2022*. Either party may appeal this decision by applying for a writ of review in superior court in accordance with chapter 7.16 RCW.

DS/lo

March 2, 2022

OFFICE OF THE HEARING EXAMINER KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

King County Courthouse 516 Third Avenue Room 1200 Seattle, Washington 98104 Telephone (206) 477-0860 <u>hearingexaminer@kingcounty.gov</u> www.kingcounty.gov/independent/hearing-examiner

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

SUBJECT: Regional Animal Services of King County file no. V21011974-A21001804

CHRISTIAN VAZQUEZ-LOPEZ

Animal Services Enforcement Appeal

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.

Description of 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 March 2, 2022.

auren Olson

Lauren Olson Legislative Secretary

Overall, Erika

Hardcopy

Smokoska, Rebecca

Regional Animal Services of King County

Vazquez-Lopez, Christian

Hardcopy