August 25, 2022

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ORDER OF DISMISSAL

SUBJECT: Regional Animal Services of King County file no. V22013120-A22002047

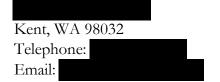
SARA COTES AND ASHLEY MCCALL

Animal Services Enforcement Appeal

Activity no.: A22002047

Appellants:

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Animal Services advised us that the complainant reports that the Appellants have been able to successfully reduce the barking. As such, Animal Services requests that we dismiss without prejudice the pending violation notice. A dismissal without prejudice does not preclude Animal Services from reissuing a violation notice regarding the same underlying event(s) if a problem reemerges. But it removes a case from everyone's workload when there is no current dispute. Any future violation notice would have its own separate appeal deadline and examiner process.

As there is no longer any active violation notice to challenge, we DISMISS the appeal.

If for some reason we have misunderstood the situation, by **September 26, 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 August 25, 2022.

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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 *September 26, 2022*. 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.

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 August 25, 2022.

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Lauren Olson Legislative Secretary

Ashley McCall, Sara Cotes

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Cruz, Mario

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Eykel, Chelsea

Regional Animal Services of King County