May 30, 2023

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ORDER OF DISMISSAL

SUBJECT: Regional Animal Services of King County file no. V23002014-A23014070

ANTONIO GONZALEZ-SORIA

Animal Services Enforcement Appeal

Activity no.: A23002014

Appellant:

Antonio Gonzalez-Soria	
Covington, WA 98042	
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King County: Regional Animal Services of King County represented by **Chelsea Eykel** Regional Animal Services of King County 21615 64th Avenue S Kent, WA 98032 Telephone: (206) 263-5968 Email: raskcappeals@kingcounty.gov

Earlier today, Animal Services emailed that it was dismissing V23002014 without prejudice. A dismissal without prejudice is not a decision on the merits, and it does not preclude Animal Services from reissuing a later violation notice, but it does mean that there is currently no violation for Mr. Gonzalez-Soria to challenge or an examiner to consider. Any new violation notice would have its own separate appeal deadline and examiner process.

The appeal is accordingly DISMISSED AS MOOT, the examiner's jurisdiction over the matter terminated, and the hearing scheduled for June 14, 2023, cancelled.

If for some reason we have misunderstood the situation, by **June 29, 2023,** 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 May 30, 2023.

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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 *June 29, 2023*. 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 May 30, 2023.

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Lauren Olson Legislative Secretary

Eykel, Chelsea

Regional Animal Services of King County

Gonzalez Soria, Antonio

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St. Arnauld, Teresa

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