

July 7, 2023

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**ORDER ON MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION**

SUBJECT: Regional Animal Services of King County file no. **V23014143-A23002427**

**ELSILOUISE WAHCHUMWAH**  
Animal Services Enforcement Appeal

Activity no.: A23002427

Appellant: **Elsielouise Wahchumwah**

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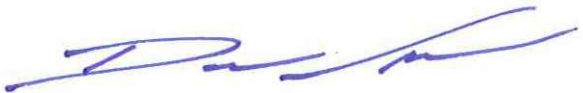
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On June 20, we dismissed Ms. Wahchumwah's appeal after she failed to appear at our June 14 hearing or even to contact us afterwards to explain any reasons for her absence. On June 22, Ms. Wahchumwah informed us that she was "unable to participate because I had an unexpected surprise - a visiting with my grandmother, who is not from Seattle. I need to reschedule."

That is an insufficient ground for us to reopen the case. We DENY Ms. Wahchumwah's motion. That means Animal Services' April 17 notice and order, including the violation, \$1000 penalty, and the requirement that Fetti be muzzled when off the Wahchumwah's property, remains in effect.

This is our final word on the matter. If Ms. Wahchumwah's wishes to raise a further challenge, she may, by August 7, 2023, apply for a writ of review in superior court in accordance with chapter 7.16 RCW. We can offer no additional instruction beyond that; it is an appellant's responsibility to determine and meet the court's filing requirements.

DATED July 7, 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 *August 7, 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 ON MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION** 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 July 7, 2023.



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Lauren Olson  
Legislative Secretary

**Andrews, Eric**

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**Eykel, Chelsea**

Regional Animal Services of King County

**Robey, Teri**

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**Wahchumwah, Elsielouise**

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