Enforcement of County Animal Control and Dog/Cat Licensing

Larimer Humane Society (LHS), an independent, non-profit corporation, contracts with Larimer County to "operate all physical plant facilities and equipment necessary for the efficient, effective operation of an animal shelter" in the County. Part of LHS' responsibilities pursuant to the contract with Larimer County is enforcement of the County's **RESOLUTION AND ORDINANCE CONCERNING ANIMAL CONTROL AND DOG LICENSING,** which is contained in Chapter 6 of the Larimer County Land Use Code (also known as the "Animal Regulations"). You can view the Animal Regulations at: http://larimer.org/policies/animal.pdf

Other jurisdictions like Loveland and Fort Collins also contract with LHS for services.

The Larimer County Code Compliance Supervisor administers the contract between LHS and Larimer County. The contract is an administrative document, separate from the County's Animal Regulations.

- LHS officers respond to animal welfare and control issues that are NOT associated with County approved pet animal facilities.

- Planning and Code Compliance staff members refer inquiries about animal control issues to LHS. If you have an issue you want to report, call the dispatch number for LHS at:

COMPLAINTS
226-DOGS (226-3647)

- Larimer County Code Compliance staff members respond to complaints about illegal pet animal facilities.

- The County forwards appropriate complaints to LHS for resolution through LHS' citizen complaint procedure.

LHS provides the following services pursuant to the contract between LHS and the County:

a. Maintain and operate all physical plant facilities and equipment necessary for the efficient, effective operation of an animal shelter in compliance with state laws and ordinances and resolutions of the County.

b. Provide for, or be responsible for, the professional services of a doctor of veterinary medicine licensed to so practice in the state of Colorado and available for 24 hour emergency services.

c. Maintain and provide all medical supplies, professional instruments, and equipment necessary for the efficient, effective operation of said animal shelter and for the efficient, effective provision of animal control services.

d. Use personnel of the Humane Society trained in all areas of animal control which may be necessary to perform the duties of an animal control officer for Larimer County to the extent set forth in this Agreement and otherwise in accordance with the Larimer County Resolution and Ordinance Concerning Animal Control and dog Licensing, as amended from time to time.

e. Provide humane and appropriate vehicles equipped with equipment necessary for the performance of its duties pursuant to this Agreement, including but not limited to two-way radios sufficient to provide constant communication and devices necessary to capture, hold and transport animals in a safe and humane manner.

f. Provide uniforms for Humane Society employees which clearly identify the Humane Society employees as animal control officers.

g. Comply with reasonable administration directives as may issue from the Board of County Commissioners for Larimer County concerning enforcement of the Larimer County Resolution and Ordinance concerning Animal Control and Dog Licensing and the performance of other duties hereunder as do not unduly burden the Humane Society in ways and to the extent not contemplated by the parties.

h. Provide for public education programs relating to Humane Society services and local ordinance.

i. Function in cooperation with Larimer County Emergency Management as the animal response contingent in the event of emergency or disaster.

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