

ORDINANCE O-18-08

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANIMAL CODE PORTION OF THE CITY CODE,
ARTICLE 6, AND ADDING A FERAL CAT COLONY CAREGIVER PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the City' Animal Code, set forth in Article 6 of the City Code, has in many respects over time deviated from Arizona statutes governing animal shelters and animal control, set forth in A.R.S. 11-1001, et. seq., and it is therefore necessary to amend the Code to conform to State law; and

WHEREAS, the actual practice of animal control and operating the animal shelter has deviated in some respects from the Animal Code, and it is therefore necessary to amend the Code to conform to actual practice; and

WHEREAS, the City has been experiencing difficulties with out of control feral cat populations, and City residents desire to find a humane, effective solution to these difficulties, and therefore desires to commence a Feral Cat Colony Caregiver Program, operated through the Animal Shelter; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the City of Bisbee and its citizens to adopt the amendments to Article 6 of the City Code set forth on Exhibit A hereto.

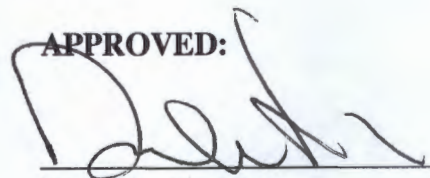
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BISBEE, COUNTY OF COCHISE, STATE OF ARIZONA, THAT:

Section 1. The amendments to Article 6 of the City Code, as set forth in the attached Exhibit A, incorporated herein by reference, are hereby adopted.

Section 2. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Bisbee on this 1st day of May, 2018.

APPROVED:



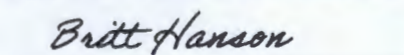
David Smith, Mayor

ATTEST:



Ashlee Coronado, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Britt Hanson, City Attorney

EXHIBIT A

CHAPTER 6 ANIMALS

ARTICLE 6.1 ANIMALS IN GENERAL

6.1.1 Definitions

(O-01-12)

In this article, unless the context otherwise requires:

- A. "Animal" means any animal of a species that is susceptible to rabies, with the exception of man.
- B. "Animal Shelter" means an establishment authorized or maintained by the City for the confinement, maintenance and safe-keeping of dogs or other animals which come into the custody of the City or Animal Shelter.
- C. "At large" means being neither confined by an enclosure nor physically restrained by a leash .
- D. "Service Animal" has the same meaning as defined in A.R.S. 11-1024.
- E. "Herd" means more than three.
- F. "Animal Control Officer" (ACO) means the officer and any officers, appointed by the chief of police, for the purpose of enforcing the City's Animal Code and ensuring the humane treatment of animals.
- G. "Impound" means the reception into custody by the ACO, or Animal Shelter, of any dog or other animal for confinement in the Animal Shelter or in a place of confinement operated by a licensed veterinarian.
- H. "Leash" means any chain, rope, strap or other similar material, no longer than ten (10) feet, attached to the collar or harness of an animal or otherwise attached to the animal and used to hold the animal in check.
- I. "Livestock" means neat animals, horses, sheep, goats, swine, mules and asses.
- J. "Owner" means any person keeping an animal other than livestock for more than six consecutive days.
- K. "Stray dog" means any dog three months or older running at large.
- L. "Vicious animal" means any animal of the order carnivora that has a propensity to attack, to cause injury to or to otherwise endanger the safety of human beings without provocation, or that has been so declared after a hearing before a justice of the peace or a city magistrate.

6.1.2 Animals within Limits of City; At Large

- A. It is unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to herd, hold, pasture or detain any herd, drove or band of sheep, horses, cattle or any other animals within the corporate limits of the City.
- B. It is unlawful for any person to permit or allow any horse, mare, colt, mule, cow, bull, calf, jack, jenny, goat or hog belonging to him or under his control to run at large within the City.
- C. It is unlawful for any person to drive or cause to be driven any animal into the City with the intention or the purpose of having such animal impounded.

D.

It is unlawful for any person to permit, suffer or allow any chickens, ducks, turkeys, geese or any fowl owned by him or under his care or control to run at large or to trespass within the corporate limits of the City, on either public or private property.

D. Other at large animals, including dogs and cats, are addressed in Article 6.2 and 6.3.

6.1.3 Maintaining Swine

It is unlawful for any person to keep and maintain within the corporate limits of the City any pigs, hogs or swine.

6.1.4 Duties of ACO

It is the duty of the ACO to take up or cause to be taken up any of the animals named in Chapter 6 running at large within the City, or any animal which it is unlawful to maintain in the City pursuant to Chapter 6, and impound them.

6.1.5 Notice of Impounding of Animals Pursuant to Sections 6.1.2 or 6.1.3

A. Within twenty-four hours of the taking up of any animal impounded pursuant to Sections 6.1.2 or 6.1.3, the ACO shall notify the owner of said animal, if known, of the fact of its being taken up, if the animal be branded and the owner of said brand be known to the ACO. He shall notify such brand owner of the fact that an animal, describing the same, bearing the brand of said party is impounded and if not redeemed within the time specified in said notice, it will be sold to discharge the cost and penalty of permitting it to run at large within the City limits, and the expense of impounding and keeping the same. He shall also post in three public places in the City notices giving a description of the animal, and stating that if said animal is not redeemed and all charges paid within or before a certain time, stating the day and hour, which shall not be less than ten nor more than fifteen days from the date of the taking up, that at said time and place the animal so impounded will be sold at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash to pay the charges of taking up and keeping of said animal. A copy of said notice shall be published for at least one week in the official newspaper of the City, and no sale shall be made until at least five days after said publication.

B. The ACO shall, upon the taking up of said animal, if branded and the owner of the brand is not known to him, at once send by registered mail to the Bureau of Registration, a written notice, describing the animal so taken by mark, brand, age, sex, kind and color, and where said animal is held. In such case, said animal shall not be sold for at least ten days after date of mailing such notice to said Register of Brands.

6.1.6 Care of Animals

Any animal seized and impounded under the provisions of this chapter shall be provided with proper care, food and water while so confined by the ACO or Animal Shelter.

6.1.7 Claimed by Owner

If at any time prior to the time fixed for the sale, the owner of any animal so seized and impounded pursuant to Sections 6.1.2 or 6.1.3 shall claim the same, he shall be entitled to the possession thereof upon payment to the ACO of such sum as provided in this article and the legal charge and expense incident to such taking up and keeping.

6.1.8 Sale of Animals Impounded

At the time specified in notice of sale, if the animal so impounded pursuant to Sections 6.1.2 or 6.1.3 is not redeemed, the ACO shall sell the same to the highest bidder for cash, but in no instance shall he be or become interested, either directly or indirectly, in the purchase of any animal sold by him. The ACO shall charge, for taking up, impounding and registering any animal so taken up, fees as determined by resolution of the Council.

The ACO shall, within ten days of the sale of any animal, pay over to the Treasurer of the City, all money received from the sale of such animal, after deducting his fees and taking the treasurer's receipt therefore, and deposit the same with the clerk.

The ACO shall keep in a suitable file an account of all moneys received, when and from whom received, the amount paid to the treasurer, and the date of payment, a complete description of all animals impounded, showing the time when impounded and by whom redeemed or when sold, and to whom sold, which book or record shall be the property of the City, and open to the inspection of the public at all reasonable times.

6.1.93 Payment to Owner

The Council may, by motion, at any time after the animal is sold, not exceeding six months thereafter, order the clerk to deliver a warrant in favor of the owner of said animal for whatever amount was received from the sale of said animal upon due and sufficient proof as to who was the owner of such animal.

6.1.10 Grandfather Clause

Nothing in this chapter shall affect existing property or the right to its continued use for the purpose used at the time the chapter, or any part thereof, takes effect, nor to any reasonable repairs or alterations in buildings, facilities or property used for such existing purpose; providing that said use is maintained and not abandoned or discontinued for a period longer than six months at a time.

6.1.16 Kennel Provisions

It is unlawful for any household to harbor or hold more than three dogs older than the age of four months without first having obtained a permit to operate a kennel.

6.1.17 Minimum Square Footage for Horses or Other Equine

There shall be an area of one thousand square feet available for one horse or other equine; one thousand one hundred fifty square feet available for two horses or other equine; and one thousand three hundred square feet available for three horses or other equine. The shape and cross-fencing of said area is to be at the option of the landowner as long as the square footage minimum requirement is met.

ARTICLE 6.2 DOGS

6.2.1 License Required

No owner shall keep, maintain or harbor a dog over three months of age within the City unless a license is obtained for the dog from the Animal Shelter or a department of the City that is authorized to issue such licenses. Tourists or transient owners keeping or maintaining a dog within the City shall not be required to obtain a license for the dog if it has a valid current license from another city or county, is not kept or maintained within the City more than thirty days, and has a rabies vaccination certificate signed by a licensed veterinarian showing the vaccination of the dog with a useful term for at least the period for which it shall be kept within the City. No rabies vaccine shall be acceptable unless it is approved by the Arizona State Veterinarian.

2.2.2 License Fee

(O-02-07)

The license fee shall be \$10.00 per year for each neutered male or spayed female dog. The fee shall be reduced to \$6.00 for each neutered male or spayed female dog for senior citizens (age 62 and over). The license fee shall be \$30.00 per year for each un-spayed female dog or unneutered male dog; the fee shall be reduced to \$20.00 for each unneutered male or un-spayed female dog for senior citizens (age 62 and over).

No license fee shall be required for a service animal. The license shall expire on the first day of January of the third year after the license has been obtained and shall be delinquent on the first day of February of such year. After the license becomes delinquent, the fee shall increase by \$5.00 for each category of dog. No license fee shall be pro-rated or refunded; the burden of proof as to whether or not a dog is neutered or spayed shall be upon the owner.

2.2.3 Date of Payment

(O-02-07)

It shall be the duty of each owner who is required to obtain a dog license to pay the license fee to the Animal Shelter on or before the first day of February in each year, or upon acquiring ownership or possession of any unlicensed dog or upon establishing residence in the City. Failure to pay the required fee by the first day of February, or within thirty (30) days of establishing residency in the city, shall result in a fine of \$25.00 for the first offense, \$35.00 for the second offense and \$50.00 for the third and subsequent offenses. Such fine shall be paid to the Animal Shelter within thirty (30) days of notification. The Animal Shelter shall cause a notice of the necessity of paying such license fee to be printed in a newspaper published within the City at least once before the first day of February of each year.

6.2.4 Receipts and Tags

- A. Upon payment of the license fee, the Animal Shelter shall execute a receipt in duplicate. The receipt shall contain the name and address of the owner of the dog, the date of vaccination of the dog against rabies, the type of rabies vaccine used, the year and series number of the metal dog tag issued, a description of the dog, including name, breed, age, color and sex. The Animal Shelter shall deliver the original receipt to the person who pays the fee and shall retain the duplicate. The Animal Shelter shall deliver a metal tag which shall be inscribed with the name of the City, the number of the license and the year for which it is valid, to the person who pays the license fee. Each tag shall be issued for a specific dog and shall not be transferable to any other dog.
- B. The owner shall cause the tag to be permanently affixed by fastening the tag to the collar or harness of the dog in such a manner that the tag may easily be seen by the Animal Control Officer. It shall be the duty of the owner to see that the tag is constantly worn by the dog.
- C. In the event that the owner loses a dog tag, a duplicate may be issued by the Animal Shelter on presentation of a receipt showing payment of the license fee for the current year together with a fee of \$1.00 for each duplicate tag issued.
- D. It is unlawful for any person to counterfeit or attempt to counterfeit a dog tag, or to take from a dog a tag legally placed upon it or place a dog tag upon a dog unless the tag was specifically issued for that particular dog.

6.2.5 Impounding; Notice

(O-93-24)

- A. Any dog or other animal found running at large shall be impounded. The ACO or any police officer may, at his discretion, for any humane reason, immediately kill any dog or other animal found at large within the City.

- B. On the impounding of any dog or other animal, the Animal Shelter shall make reasonable efforts to identify and contact the animal's owner to inform them that the animal has been impounded and the steps necessary to redeem the animal.
- C. Each stray dog impounded and not eligible for a sterilization program shall be kept and maintained at the Animal Shelter for a minimum of seventy-two hours or one hundred twenty hours for an animal that is impounded with a microchip or wearing a license or any other discernible form of owner identification, unless claimed or surrendered by its owner. Any person may purchase or adopt a dog on expiration of the impoundment period, if the person pays all pound fees established by the City and complies with the licensing and vaccinating provisions of this article. If the dog is to be used for medical research, a license or vaccination is not required. .

6.2.6 Redemption

Any dog or other impounded animal may be timely redeemed from the Animal Shelter by the owner upon providing legal right to possession of the dog or other animal and the payment of an impoundment fee of \$10.00 plus a fee of \$8.00 a day for each day the dog or other animal has been confined in the Animal Shelter in order to defray part of the cost of impounding and maintaining the dog or other animal. If the animal is a dog and unlicensed, the owner must, in addition to the aforementioned fees, pay to the Animal Shelter the license fee for the current year and present a current, valid certificate of vaccination against rabies or obtain such a certificate before the animal is redeemed. If the animal is a cat or domesticated mustelid (eg., skunk or ferret), the owner must, in addition to paying the aforementioned fees, present a current, valid certificate of vaccination against rabies or obtain such a certificate before the animal is redeemed. Any animal subject to licensing that is found without a tag or microchip identifying its owner shall be considered unowned. Tags and microchips including an owner's or owner agent's current phone number will be used to contact the owner or owner's agent. In addition to the foregoing, to redeem a dog, the owner must demonstrate that the animal has been sterilized and implanted with a microchip for purposes of identification, or must do so before the animal is released to the owner, unless a veterinarian determines that a medical contraindication for sterilization exists that reasonably requires postponement of the sterilization until the surgery or another approved sterilization can be performed in a safe and humane manner.

6.2.7 Disposition of Animals

- A. Any dog or other animal, which is not claimed within the time limits specified in Section 6.2.5 (C) may be purchased or adopted by paying a fee as determined by the Animal Shelter and provided that all of the conditions of A.R.S. 11-1022 are complied with, including the sterilization and vaccination requirements. Any dog or other animal not timely redeemed or purchased may be destroyed.
- B. The ACO shall not take up and dispose of any dog or other animal upon an owner's request, although a property owner or occupant's request to remove a captured wild animal, including a feral cat, from his or her private property shall be honored to the extent feasible. Only under circumstances in which a privately owned or cared for dog or other animal poses imminent and substantial risk to life or property, or must be immediately disposed of for humanitarian reasons, may the ACO properly dispose of said dog or other animal at its owner's request.
- C. The Animal Shelter itself does not euthanize animals, and so will not do so upon an owner's or owner's agent's request; however, special circumstances may prompt animal shelter workers to, if deemed

necessary and possible, seek an owner's consent to euthanize a properly licensed and tagged animal prior to the end of a timely redemption period.

- D. When the Animal Shelter is open and available and animals there are being safely and sustainably kept and cared for, any dog or other animal deemed healthy and safe enough to remain in the facility and deemed otherwise appropriate for the facility may remain until redeemed, adopted or purchased, barring emergency or other special circumstances.
- E. Animals received in a condition of terminal illness or mortal injury beyond clinical redemption for any reasonable quality of life may be euthanized.
- F. Animals received in a diseased condition may be euthanized if euthanization is necessary to prevent the spread of disease.
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- H. Animals that for any other reason are deemed inappropriate for the shelter and for whom no other appropriate facilities are timely and affordably available, may be euthanized for humanitarian reasons.

6.2.8 Improper Care

A dog or other animal that is found kept without food, water or proper care shall be taken into custody and impounded by the ACO. It shall be improper care if a dog is kept outside without shelter during periods of extreme weather, including without limitation, extreme heat or freezing temperatures, thunderstorms, tornadoes or snow storms

6.2.9 Improper Confinement

- A. When on the site where they are housed, all dogs shall be confined in a manner providing them ready access to water and shelter and without posing a risk to the health or safety of the animal.
- B. If a properly fenced area is not available, pulleys, running lines or trolley systems are the preferred methods of confinement for dogs outdoors, because they allow more mobility for the animal. These systems must be at least 15 feet in length and at least 7 feet above the ground. Dogs shall not be chained, tied, fastened or otherwise tethered to dog houses, trees, fences, residential structures or other stationary objects, including pulleys, running lines or trolley systems, as a means of confining the animal to the property unless each of the following conditions is met:
 1. The dog is not restrained in this manner for any continuous period longer than nine (9) hours.
 2. The tether is connected to the dog by a buckle-type collar or a body harness made of nylon or leather, not less than one inch in width.
 3. The tether shall not be less than ten (10) feet in length; shall terminate in a swivel at each end; shall not weigh more than 1/8 of the dog's weight; and shall be free of tangles.
 4. The dog is tethered in such a manner as to prevent injury, strangulation, or entanglement. The tether shall be located at sufficient distance from any fence or other structure from which the dog could potentially hang, were the dog to jump over a fence or to climb and fall off the structure.

5. The dog is not tethered outside during periods of extreme weather, including without limitation, extreme heat or freezing temperatures, thunderstorms, tornadoes or snow storms.
 6. The dog has ready access to water, shelter, and a clean, dry area. Excrement shall be removed from the area on a regular basis and shall not be allowed to accumulate.
 7. The dog is at least nine (9) months of age. Puppies shall not be tethered.
 8. The dog is neither sick nor injured.
 9. If there are multiple dogs, each dog must be tethered separately.
- C. A dog or other animal that is found kept without food, water or proper care, including confinement that violates this section, shall be taken into custody and impounded by the ACO.

**6.2.10 Interference with Humane Officer
(O-91-06)**

It is unlawful for any person, in an emergency situation, to fail or refuse to permit the ACO to inspect any dog or other animal and the premises on which it is kept to determine whether any provision of this chapter is being violated, or for any person to interfere in any way with the ACO in the performance of his duties. Nothing in this section shall be construed to empower the ACO to enter the house or dwelling place of any person in violation of any requirement for said officer to obtain a search warrant to inspect and search said premises.

**6.2.11 Nuisance
(O-89-16)**

- A. It is unlawful for any person to maintain any animal in such a manner so as to become a public nuisance or to deprive others of the peaceful enjoyment of their lives.
- B. It is unlawful for any owner to keep or harbor, within the City, any dog or other animal which barks, howls or makes other aggravating noises which unreasonably disturb the peace and quiet of the neighborhood.
- C. After a citation has been issued, or a complaint signed and summons issued, the owner shall appear in court within five (5) days and be subject to a \$100.00 fine. Upon a second complaint on the same animal, the owner will be subject to a \$300.00 fine, and with each day of violation constituting a separate offense.

6.2.12 Places of Business

A business establishment, in its discretion, may allow or disallow dogs or other animals on its premises, subject, however, to the laws regarding service animals as set forth in A.R.S. 11-1024, and subject to any laws regarding public health and safety.

**6.2.13 Vicious, Biting and Aggressive Animals
(O-14-01)**

A. Except as supplemented by this section, Vicious and Biting Animals, and Aggressive Dogs shall have the meanings ascribed to those terms, and be dealt with, as set forth in A.R.S. 11-1001, -1014, and -1014.01, which are hereby incorporated by reference; provided, however, that references to the county pound shall be replaced with Animal Shelter, and references to county enforcement agent shall be replaced with ACO.

B. Procedure for Viciousness Determination

1. Any person, including the ACO, the Animal Shelter coordinator, the City Attorney, or any citizen, having reasonable grounds to believe a dog is vicious, may petition the City Magistrate for a determination that the animal is vicious.
2. Upon the receipt of the petition, or at any time thereafter, if the City Magistrate finds that there are reasonable grounds to believe that the subject animal meets the definition of "vicious animal", the City Magistrate may order that the animal be impounded on such terms as the Court deems necessary to protect the public safety, pending further review.
3. After notice to the owner of the animal, the City Magistrate shall conduct a hearing to determine if the animal is "vicious" as defined in this Article. The decision shall be based on the preponderance of the evidence presented at the hearing.
4. A viciousness determination hearing may be conducted with and as a part of any other related proceeding involving the same animal and same owner.
5. At the conclusion of this hearing process, the Magistrate may award reasonable attorney's fees to the prevailing person or party.

C. Disposition of Vicious Dogs

Upon a determination that a dog is "vicious," the Court shall enter such orders as it deems to be necessary to protect the public. These orders may include one or more of the following:

1. That the dog at all times be securely confined indoors or in a securely enclosed and locked pen or kennel, with secure gate, sides, and ceiling, except when the dog is leashed and muzzled. These premises shall be designated with a prominent sign reading "Vicious Dog."
2. That the dog be spayed or neutered.
3. That the dog be defanged or declawed.
4. That the vicious dog be euthanized.
5. That the Court require such other and further relief as may be appropriate in the particular circumstances at issue to protect the public from any future harm or injury that may be caused by the vicious dog.

6.2.14 Dog Fecal Matter (O-01-12)

Any person owning, possessing, harboring, or having the care, charge, control or custody of any dog shall immediately remove and thereafter dispose of any fecal matter deposited by the dog on public or private property unless the property owner has given approval for use of said property for this purpose. The dog fecal matter shall be immediately placed in a closed or sealed container and thereafter disposed of by depositing said matter in a trash receptacle, sanitary disposal unit or other closed or sealed container.

6.3 Fines and Penalties

Fines and Penalties for violations are as follows:

- A. Animal at large (other than dogs): \$50/offense
- B. Maintaining swine: \$100/offense
- C. Dog at Large:
 - a. For a dog that is not spayed or neutered or does not have a rabies vaccination: \$60 for a first offense; \$90 for a second offense in the same calendar year; \$100 for each subsequent offense in a calendar year.
 - b. For a dog that is spayed or neutered and has a rabies vaccination: \$30 for a first offense; \$60 for a second offense in the same calendar year; \$90 for a third offense in the same calendar year.
 - c. For a biting dog: \$100 per offense.
 - d. For a vicious dog: \$150 per offense.
 - e. For aggressive dogs: \$125 for a first offense.
- D. Improper Confinement: \$50 per dog for a first offense; \$75 per dog for subsequent offenses.

ARTICLE 6.3 CATS

6.3.1 Definitions

6.3.1.1 "Colony caregiver" means anyone feeding, medicating, recording or otherwise maintaining a feral or free-roaming cat colony operated by or sponsored by the Animal Shelter.

6.3.1.2 "Feral Cat" means any cat born in the wild that cannot be domesticated.

6.3.2 Complaints of Cats at Large; Penalties; Colony Caregiver Program

6.3.2.1 An ACO shall only pick up a cat when the ACO suspects that the cat-at-large is feral; or when a City resident makes a specific complaint about a cat-at-large; and as time permits.

6.3.2.2 When a cat owner can be identified, the owner will be counseled for a first offense and may be cited for subsequent offenses for failing to control his or her pet. An ACO cannot remove a cat from the property of its owner without the owner's permission unless the health and safety of the animal or others are at risk.

6.3.2.3 When a specific complaint has been made against a cat and the cat has not yet for the purposes of this complaint been captured, the complaining City resident may, by personal check, pay a \$25 refundable deposit to the Animal Shelter for a humane capture trap. Complainant must place the trap in the shade on his or her own premises, place food and water in the trap and immediately telephone the ACO once a cat has been captured. An ACO may not be available on holidays and weekends, so residents shall close the doors of empty traps on those days and as directed by the ACO. As time permits, an ACO may assist

complainants to capture a cat-at-large if the complainant(s) require assistance due to advanced age or disability.

6.3.2.4 An ACO who believes that any cat within the city limits is at large, may impound the animal. Upon impounding a cat, the requirements for impounding, redemption and adoption set forth in Article 6.2.5 and 6.2.6 for dogs, including the requirements for rabies vaccination, spaying and neutering, and microchipping, shall equally apply to a cat.

6.3.2.5 An impounded cat, other than a feral cat, may be adopted or purchased on the same terms and conditions as a dog as set forth in Article 6.2.7.

6.3.3 Feral Cats; Colony Caregiver Program

6.3.1 A Colony Caregiver Program is hereby established. The Colony Caregiver program is aimed at humanely treating Feral Cats while reducing the feral cat population by spaying and neutering them.

6.3.2 The general outline of the Colony Caregiver Program is as follows. Cats in this program are fed by Colony Caregivers. Colony Caregivers, an ACO, or other volunteers, may trap Feral Cats, take them to the Animal Shelter, where they are spayed or neutered, given a rabies vaccination, microchipped and their ears notched so that they may be identified, then returned to the colony. Kittens may be purchased or adopted.

6.3.3 The Animal Shelter will develop a more thorough protocol and rules for the Colony Caregiver Program, which shall be posted on the City's website.

6.3.4 Residents wishing to become Colony Caregivers must apply to the Animal Shelter, which will determine eligibility.

6.3.5 The success of the Colony Caregiver Program will depend in part on resources. Residents may donate money to the Colony Caregiver Program.