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INTRODUCED BY: Lois North

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ORDINANCE NO. 9464

AN ORDINANCE relating to animal control service issues; establishing an Animal Control Citizens Advisory Committee.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Intent. It is the intent of the King County council to create an Animal Control Citizen's Advisory Committee to provide a mechanism for King County citizens and consumers of animal control services to provide information and advice about animal control needs, goals, and services to the King County executive, council, and animal control section.

SECTION 2. Membership. The King County Animal Control Citizens Advisory Committee shall be composed of eleven members who are residents of King County, and who represent a diversity of interests. Composition will include one representative from the Humane Society, Inc., Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals of Seattle-King County; one representative from the Progressive Animal Welfare Society, Lynnwood, Washington; one representative of the Seattle-King County Veterinary Medical Association; two representatives from non-profit or professional organizations representing animal-related business interests; three citizens, nominated by the Suburban Cities Association, to represent municipalities which contract with King County for animal control services; and three citizens representing unincorporated King County. To the extent possible, the six citizen representatives should be selected to provide geographically balanced representation and a mix of pet owners and non-pet owners. The director of the King County department of executive administration or their designee shall serve as an ex officio member of the committee.

1            SECTION 3. Responsibilities. A. The King County Animal  
2 Control Citizens Advisory Committee shall, in the first six  
3 months of operation, carry out the following tasks:

4            1. Identify the goals, program components and  
5 characteristics, and anticipated outcomes of a model animal  
6 control program;

7            2. Assess community service needs, for contracting  
8 municipalities and unincorporated King County (both urban and  
9 rural), identify issues, and identify potential service standards;

10           3. Evaluate and make recommendations on the  
11 organizational structure, facilities, program goals and  
12 objectives, and program policies necessary to address service  
13 issues and attain a model animal control program.

14           Recommendations should be divided into low cost changes which  
15 could be implemented quickly, and changes which would require  
16 significant additional funding. The recommendations should also  
17 identify actions required for implementation, and propose  
18 financing mechanisms to carry out an enhanced animal control  
19 program;

20           4. Evaluate the adequacy of the types and level of  
21 funding for King County's animal control program, including fees,  
22 licenses, contracts, and general tax support from the County and  
23 contracting municipalities, and make recommendations;

24           5. The committee shall submit its completed report to  
25 the King County executive. The executive shall review the  
26 report, and then submit it, with his recommendations and plans  
27 for implementing any of the committee's recommendations, to the  
28 King County council.

29           B. Following the initial report, the committee shall meet  
30 monthly to:

31           1. receive periodic reports from the animal control  
32 section;

1           2. advise the county executive and county council on all  
2 aspects of animal control and the welfare and safety of all  
3 animals;

4           3. assist the county executive and county council in the  
5 development of programs and policies concerning animal control;  
6 and

7           4. review and comment on proposed animal control rules,  
8 policies, or ordinances prior to their adoption.

9           SECTION 4. Appointments A. Members shall be appointed by  
10 the county executive subject to confirmation by county council  
11 motion. Members shall initially be appointed to serve a  
12 three-year term.

13           B. If the council approves the continuation of the committee  
14 per Section 8, members may be reappointed to staggered terms,  
15 consistent with the provisions of K.C.C. Chapter 2.28.  
16 Reappointment shall be subject to confirmation by county council  
17 motion. Subsequently, members shall serve a term of three years,  
18 or until their successor is appointed and confirmed as provided  
19 in this ordinance. No member shall serve more than six years.

20           C. Members missing twenty-five percent (25%) of the meetings  
21 in a calendar year will be considered effectively to have  
22 resigned membership, creating a vacancy. A vacancy shall be  
23 filled for the remainder of the term of the vacant position in  
24 the manner described for the initial appointments.

25           SECTION 5. Operation. A. A majority of the committee shall  
26 elect one of its members as chair. The term of the chair shall  
27 be for one year.

28           B. The committee shall adopt operating rules, including  
29 quorum requirements.

30           SECTION 6. Administrative Support. Ongoing administrative  
31 support to the committee shall be provided by the general  
32 services division manager.  
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1            SECTION 7. Compensation. Members of the committee shall  
2 serve without compensation.

3            SECTION 8. Sunset Provision. The committee shall cease to  
4 exist as of June 30, 1993. Any continuation of the committee  
5 beyond that date will require subsequent action by the council.  
6 By April 1, 1993 the King County executive will submit to the  
7 county council a report which reviews the committee's  
8 accomplishments and makes recommendations about continuation of  
9 the committee beyond June 30, 1993.

10           INTRODUCTION AND READ for the first time this 24<sup>th</sup> day of  
11 March, 1990

12           PASSED this 29<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1990.

13           KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
14           KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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16           Lois North  
17           Chair

18           ATTEST:

19           Gerald A. Peterson  
20           Clerk of the Council

21           APPROVED this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1990.

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23           Ram Pithel  
24           for King County Executive