

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: Regarding Agenda Item 6 23-1008 Amending 53.15.2 of Article 3, Chapter 5 of the municipal code I fully support this moratorium until the animal shelter population is significantly reduced. The overcrowding of the shelters is a direct result of breeders, irresponsible animal care, and the overpopulation of animals- particularly dogs- who are ending up in the overtaxed shelter system. An overcrowded and overtaxed shelter system is fiscally irresponsible, a health hazard to our communities, and cruel to the existing animals who are living in their own filth with no access to exercise or care. Breeding licenses do not statistically provide income to families or our communities. In fact, the loose requirements instituted to obtain the license in our community simply add to the ever-expanding pet population. Without responsibilities or consequences attached to the licenses, almost any human can be a breeder. As a community we cannot maintain the social, moral, or fiscal cost of cleaning up after these breeders any longer. Please implement the moratorium. When there are not dogs dying by the absolute thousands we can reevaluate as a community how to safely put licensing back into place. Until then, thank you for bringing this important safety measure to task.