

CITY OF CARSON

Legislation Text

Report to Mayor and City Council

Tuesday, June 04, 2024 Ordinance Second Reading

SUBJECT:

CONSIDER SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 24-2403 THAT WOULD AMEND SECTION 3301 (ADDITION TO ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE) OF CHAPTER 3 (POUND REGULATIONS) OF ARTICLE III (PUBLIC SAFETY) OF THE CARSON MUNICIPAL CODE TO CLARIFY AND UPDATE THE RESTRICTIONS AGAINST ENTRY OF DOGS IN PUBLIC PARKS AND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR LEASHING OF DOGS THAT ARE EXCEPTED FROM THE GENERAL PROHIBITION AGAINST ENTRY (CITY COUNCIL)

I. <u>SUMMARY</u>

On May 22, 2024, under Item No. 31 of the City Council Agenda, the City Council voted 5-0 to introduce Ordinance No. 24-2403. This item transmits a request for City Council to conduct a Second Reading and adopt Ordinance No. 24-2403.

II. <u>RECOMMENDATION</u>

CONDUCT a second reading by title only and with full reading waived, and **ADOPT**, Ordinance No. 24-2403, entitled "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTION 3301 (ADDITION TO ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE) OF CHAPTER 3 (POUND REGULATIONS) OF ARTICLE III (PUBLIC SAFETY) OF THE CARSON MUNICIPAL CODE TO CLARIFY AND UPDATE THE RESTRICTIONS AGAINST ENTRY OF DOGS IN PUBLIC PARKS AND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR LEASHING OF DOGS THAT ARE EXCEPTED FROM THE GENERAL PROHIBITION AGAINST ENTRY." (Exhibit No. 1)

III. ALTERNATIVES

DO NOT APPROVE the recommendation.

IV. BACKGROUND

At the May 22, 2024, Council Meeting, the City of Carson introduced Ordinance No. 24-2403, which would modify CMC Section 3301 such that: the general prohibition on dogs in

City parks is restated; the exceptions for dogs that are service animals as defined in the ADA, guide dogs, signal dogs, and service dogs as such terms are defined in Section 54.1 of the California Civil Code, and dogs approved by the Community Services Director for teaching uses are reaffirmed; and the Council's intent to require that all such dogs be leashed to the maximum extent consistent with applicable law (i.e., the ADA) is clarified. The proposed ordinance also clarifies that dogs that are in training to become service dogs as provided in California Civil Code Sections 54.1 and 54.2 are allowed in parks but are required be on a leash, consistent with State law. The City Council voted 5-0 to introduce Ordinance No. 24-2403 for first reading.

V. FISCAL IMPACT

None.

VI. <u>EXHIBITS</u>

1. Ordinance No. 24-2403 (pgs. 3 - 5)

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