

## Apache Junction Police Department Division of Administrative & Support Services Office of the Commander



**Date:** June 5, 2018

To: Chief Thomas Kelly

From: Captain Arnold Freeman

**Subject:** Chapter 6 revision for Council consideration

## Chief;

At the request of Council and City Management, Chapter 6 has been reviewed. Staff is proposing updates to terminologies and definitions that are considered a necessity to keep our department current with other agencies across the State of Arizona, and to enhance the legal means to provide safety not only to our citizens, but to the animals that reside in Apache Junction. In addition, the proposed changes will correct outdated language with regards to enforcement, terminologies and definitions. There are no requests for fee increases.

The following are summaries of the proposed changes:

- 1) 6-1-3. Allows the City Manager to convene a panel of city residents for a civil hearing in lieu of a citation for animal noise nuisance.
- 2) 6-1-8. Eliminates the Class 3 Kennel permit which allows 9-12 dogs to be kept in accordance with other provisions of Chapter 6.
- 3) 6-2-3. Allows alternative owner notification of animals impounded during the arrest of owner and provides for abandonment determination.
- 4) 6-5-2. Allows for the City to recover cost of animal care of animals found in motor vehicle where owner is not present.
- 5) 6-7-4. Clarifies jurisdiction and quarantine of pot-bellied pig bites.
- 6) 6-9-2. Adds clarifications and terminology to Criminal Filings and Penalties.

In addition, there are minor grammar and terminology changes throughout Chapter 6.

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