Agenda Report



2725 Judge Fran Jamieson Way Viera, FL 32940

Consent

F.21. 7/8/2025

Subject:

Legislative intent and permission to advertise a public hearing to amend the Brevard County Code of Ordinances modifying Chapter 14, Article II, Brevard County Code

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Dept/Office:

Brevard County Sheriff's Office Animal Services Unit / County Attorney's Office

Requested Action:

It is requested that the Board of County Commissioners authorize legislative intent and permission to advertise a public hearing to amend the Brevard County Code of Ordinances, modifying Chapter 14, Article II to reflect changes made to the Florida Statutes regarding Dangerous Dogs.

Summary Explanation and Background:

On July 1, 2025, new legislation known as the Pam Rock Act went into effect, enacting new requirements for local governments and dog owners regarding Dangerous Dogs and amending Chapter 767 of the Florida Statutes.

The proposed amendments to Chapter 14, Article II of the Brevard County Code would update the Code to reflect the changes to the Dangerous Dog regulations made by the Florida Legislature. These changes include:

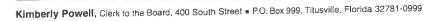
- Requirement for Animal Services to confiscate dogs prior to a Dangerous Dog hearing if the dog bite incident is Level 4 or Level 5 on the Dunbar Bite Scale;
- New requirements for owners of Dangerous Dogs to acquire liability insurance and secure the dog;
- Penalties for violating the requirements of the Pam Rock Act and interfering with Animal Services Officers; and
- Requirement for Dangerous Dogs to be labeled as such when placed for adoption.

The proposed amendments would also codify additional administrative procedures for Animal Services in enforcing Dangerous Dog regulations.

Clerk to the Board Instructions:



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July 9, 2025

Honorable Wayne Ivey **Brevard County Sheriff** 700 South Park Avenue Titusville, FL 32780

Attn: Animal Services Unit

Dear Sheriff Ivey:

Item F.21., Legislative Intent and Permission to Advertise a Public Hearing to Amend the Re:

Brevard County Code of Ordinances Modifying Chapter 14, Article II, Brevard County

Code

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on July 8, 2025, approved and authorized legislative intent and permission to advertise a public hearing to amend the Brevard County Code of Ordinances, modifying Chapter 14, Article II, to reflect changes made to the Florida Statutes regarding Dangerous Dogs.

Your continued cooperation is always appreciated.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

RACHEL M. SADOFF, CLERK

Kimberly Powell, Clerk to the Board

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County Attorney CC: