

10-0982 - limits on number of pets

1 message

kathie fritzen <meankittykat@gmail.com> To: John.White@lacity.org Wed, Aug 11, 2010 at 9:34 PM

dear sir: i wish to add my thoughts to the above-mentioned matter (possibly increasing the maximum number of pets allowed los angeles residents from three to five). many people would be more than happy to adopt one or two more pets, but do not do so due to the limit on the number of pets allowed. there are many responsible hardworking, tax-paying citizens who would be more than happy to add two more pets to their family groups, and many of them would adopt from a shelter or rescue as first choice, which, obviously, would substantially decrease the number of animals awaiting euthanization in the city shelters. further, as there are already so many places that do not allow pets, i doubt the neighborhoods would be inundated with extra animals. a lot of residents are content having one, two, or three pets; most people know how many they can handle, both financially and socially. however, there are just as many or more who would be delighted to open their homes to a couple more animals needing loving homes (and i know they want to but don't want to break the laws). personally, i think that there are enough responsible animal loving residents in this city/county that if the allowable maximum number of pets was increased from three to five, the city and county shelters would be almost empty!

i personally know at least twenty people who would be happy to adopt two more pets, and i am sure that each one of those twenty people also know twenty people who would like (and could handle) two more pets, and probably each of those twenty people knows another twenty people who want to have five pets! and so on, and so on! this would help decrease shelter populations, increase revenues through licensing, and maybe los angeles could, in fact, become no-kill, entering the twenty-first century and setting an example for the rest of the country to live up to!



comment for public record of file 10-0982

1 message

lashmore@uci.edu <lashmore@uci.edu>
To: John.White@lacity.org

Wed, Aug 11, 2010 at 6:47 PM

Dear Mr. White,

I write in support of council member Koretz's and council member Rosendahl's motion to increase the number of cats and dogs allowed per household from three per household to five per household. I support this motion for the following reasons; reasons that benefit the animals, the people that love them, and the city:

- It will save lives! Increasing the number of dogs and cats allowed per household will increase the number of animals that can be fostered, and thus decrease the number of animals in the shelter that may end up being euthanized.
- 2.) The conditions the animals are kept in are much more important than how many animals a household is caring for. Some families may have large backyards and plenty of resources to keep five dogs and five cats healthy and happy. If someone can keep five dogs or five cats healthy and happy why should we deny them the right to take care of these individuals that might otherwise be put to death?
- 3.) The city can earn more revenue from licensing fees.
- 4.) Those who are over the limit of dogs or cats they can have in their household by one or two dogs or cats will fear other inspections by government (ex: inspections required for home additions). If people are not compliant with having an inspection for a home addition that may compromise home owner safety and public safety.
- 5.) Animal control would not have to spend as much time and energy going out to inspect the homes of people who have just one dog or cat over the limit. The loving caretakers of these dogs and cats would not have to choose between their beloved dogs and/or cats and decide which one they have to give up to the shelter that may be euthanized for no reason at all.
- 6.) In terms of animal hoarders: Hoarding is a psychosis, so hoarders will often not follow limit laws anyway. Thus, allowing each household (if they can adequately care for the dogs and/or cats) to have two more dogs and/or cats will not increase hoarding.

Lastly, a statement by Ed Muzika: "If we take a look at the City of San Diego, the second largest city in Southern California, they have a limit of 6 dogs and no limit on cats. Cats are unregulated. AND, the San Diego County Animal Control, the S.D. Humane Society, and six other participating shelters report a lower euthanasia rate than LA City or LA

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shelter systems."

Please include this email as part of your record.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely, Laura Ashmore Monrovia, CA



10-0982 Support for the increase in permitted number of animals per household

1 message

Kim Urie <kimberlyurie@gmail.com>
To: John.White@lacity.org

Wed, Aug 11, 2010 at 5:55 PM

I have resided in both Los Angeles and San Diego, and previously served as a prosecutor for the City of San Diego handling enforcement matters pertaining to the municipal code, as well as animal neglect and cruelty cases. It is a waste of resources to limit the number of animals responsible caretakers rescue, provided the animals are properly cared for in a reasonable environment. The Department needs to emphasize quality of life issues, education and awareness regarding how to properly care for animals, and the effective enforcement of laws protecting animals — both human and nonhuman. Please enable the Department to do so by increasing the number of animals permitted per household from three to five. thank you,

Kim Urie



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1 message

Georgia Brewer < georgiabrewer@gmail.com > To: John.White@lacity.org

Wed, Aug 11, 2010 at 5:04 PM

Please attach this comment to the record -

I am a homeowner in the City of Los Angeles (Sherman Oaks) and I strongly urge the city council to increase the maximum number of pets per household.

It is very obvious that we have many, many homeless animals living on the streets and/or being destroyed each year by Animal Services. The former - having huge numbers of animals living on the street - is irresponsible and inhumane. The latter - killing tens of thousands of animals every year - is expensive and inhumane.

The City of San Diego has a 6 dog limit and no maximum limit for cats. We have a limit of 3 pets per household. This is ridiculous. Law-abiding Angelenos will not take more animals than legally permitted. These are the right homes for homeless animals - law-abiding families. They should be permitted and encouraged to take in as many homeless animals, spay and neuter them, and care for them responsibly for life.

Illegal breeders, hoarders and dog fighters will always exist. The 3 pet limit will not stop that. We could do something about them if we had more resources - resources now spent catching and euthanizing and disposing of bodies.

I am ashamed that our beautiful City continues to fail our community by declining a leadership role in resolving our pet overpopulation crisis.

I encourage our City to increase the maximum pet limit per household - this is one step that will be very helpful with these many homeless animals.

Please increase the maximum pet limit per household. Thank you for your service to our City.

Georgia Mae Brewer 5518 Ventura Canyon Avenue Sherman Oaks, CA 91401



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1 message

robyn <robynisrosy@yahoo.com> To: John.White@lacity.org Wed, Aug 11, 2010 at 3:29 PM

Please update the law of L.A. to allow pet owners a maximum of five pets. Even here in Long Beach people are allowed four pets. This will not encourage hoarders or dog fighting as these people operate outside the law. There is nothing unclean about having five pets. Irrespective of the number of pets a person has (and children), there are clean people, and there are those who let their homes and yards go.

Please help the overcrowding in LA's shelters, and help those people who want to care for five pets do so. Please support all laws to make LA a truly progressive city.

Thank you, Robyn Hicks



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1 message

garnet <jewel40@verizon.net>
To: John.White@lacity.org

Wed, Aug 11, 2010 at 3:15 PM

Mr. John White, Please add my name to legalizing more dogs and cats to private homes, 5 dogs and 5 cats. This will save so many lives of animals that would otherwise be euthanized.

For the Animals,

Garnet Sherman

Murrieta, Ca 951 696-9219

Elephants are the keepers of ancient secrets, for they walked the world when it was new.



Dog and Cat increased limits for pet owners

1 message

Rick Kerr <dogmanofscv@sbcglobal.net>
To: John.White@lacity.org

Wed, Aug 11, 2010 at 3:04 PM

Mr. White, I support the proposed increase of the number of dogs and cats that people will be able to keep in their home. People who are good caring pet owners like myself can easily care for a few more animals in their home without risking the ability to provide all the needs of all the animals they have. I am the CEO of Citizens for Sheltered Animals, Inc. Founded in 1987. We have saved more than 5,000 animals and helped more than 10,000 pet owners solve problems or find new homes for their pets when needed. Increasing the number of animals that loving pet owners can have is just one simple way of saving the lives by increasing adoptions from City, County and independent animal shelters like Citizens for Sheltered Animals, Inc. We NEVER kill animals in our shelter. If I can be of any assitance on this issue please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely, Richard Kerr, C.E.O.

Citizens for Sheltered Animals, Inc.

(661) 513-9288



Increase Number of Pets

1 message

suzie matthews slisuziemv@yahoo.com> To: John.White@lacity.org Wed, Aug 11, 2010 at 2:47 PM

I am all for increasing the number of animals people can have in their homes. Five rather than three.

SM East Coast



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1 message

JMEXECSRCH@aol.com < JMEXECSRCH@aol.com > To: John.White@lacity.org

Wed, Aug 11, 2010 at 2:40 PM

Mr. White:

Please attach what I write to the public record - file #10-0982.

I support the increase in animal limits from 3 to 5.

Thank you.
Sincerely,
Judy Martin
Los Angeles, CA
jmexecsrch@aol.com



Increase Animal Limits to Five for City of LA Residents

1 message

kimberly carnochan <kcarnochan@hotmail.com>

Wed, Aug 11, 2010 at 12:15 PM

To: john.white@lacity.org

Hi Mr. White,

I am emailing you with a request to SUPPORT the increase in the number of animals a city of LA resident can have from Three to Five.

The file number this is in reference to is 10-0982.

I appreciate my VOTE being counted on this.

Thank you.

Kim Carnochan

Los Angeles Resident (90026)

And get rid of Phyllis Doughtery-she is a NUT CASE!!!!

"ANIMAL NEVER CEASE TO AMAZE ME, HUMANS NEVER CEASE TO DISAPPOINT ME!"

"By the love of those I've been privileged to rescue, I have been rescued" Annette King-Tucker

83,333 pit

bulls are killed every single month.

An

...animal in a shelter is killed every 1.5 seconds.

Be

Part of the Solution: Spay or Neuter your Pet.



File 10-0392

1 message

meankittykat@gmail.com <meankittykat@gmail.com> Reply-To: meankittykat@gmail.com To: John.White@lacity.org Wed, Aug 11, 2010 at 11:56 AM

Dear Mr. White: I wish to encourage the motion presently in front of the city council regarding raising the limit of dogs &/or cats for residents of los angeles city and county from 3 to 5. Many, many pet owners are truly responsible and provide loving homes, quality food, veterinary care to the present allowable maximum limit of 3 dogs &/or cats per household, and many of these same law-abiding citizens would be more than happy to have 4 or 5 well-fed, healthy, loving, well-socialized pets if only they would not be at risk of violating this law! Rather than having to euthanize (kill) an estimated 100 animals per day, as the present animal services is threatening to do, I truly believe that if the limit were raised, there would be enough loving homes and foster homes to provide for all the animals currently at risk in our shelters. Further, perhaps the shelters could once again provide a safe haven for lost pets until their owners find them, and adoptable pets who are looking for their new families! I believe the shelters, rather than being overcrowded, disease-ridden death camps for those animals unfortunate enough to "enter the system", could once again be regarded as "shelters". I personally know at least 40 individuals who would love to adopt from the shelter, but already have "the legal limit" of 3 pets. If each of those 40 people could have 2 more pets, and then if each of those 40 people knew. 40 more people , and each of those 40 knew 40 more, well, you see how adoptions would dramatically climb, and we could indeed achieve a no-kill status, and very quickly, too.

I also wish at this time to add that the euthanization rate would dramatically decrease if the county were to reinstate the trap/neuter/return policy with ferals cats, rather than the catch-and-kill policy used by the present administration

Thank you for your courtesy and anticipated cooperation in this extremely important matter Very truly yours, kathie fritzen Sent from my BlackBerry® by Boost Mobile



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2 messages

Nancy Walker <njohnstonwalker@gmail.com> To: John.White@lacity.org

Wed, Aug 11, 2010 at 11:25 AM

Dear Mr. White,

Please attach my following statement in support of increasing the animal limits from three to five to be part of the public record. I currently have 3 dogs and would love to be able to rescue another dog.

Thank you, Nancy Walker 90048

Nancy Walker < craignancy@gmail.com>

Wed, Aug 11, 2010 at 11:52 AM

To: John.White@lacity.org

Dear Mr. White,

Please attach my following statement in support of increasing the animal limits from three to five to the public record. I currently have 3 dogs and would love to be able to rescue another dog.

Thank you, Crraig Walker 90048



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1 message

Bill Dyer

Sill@idausa.org

Reply-To: bill@idausa.org

To: john.white@lacity.org

Dear Mr. White:

Wed, Aug 11, 2010 at 11:46 AM

On behalf of our entire membership I urge you and our City Council member to adopt an ordinance that would permit guardians five animals instead of three. This measure would go a long way in decreasing the euthanasia rate in our city. All arguments against this humane act pale in comparison to this life-saving fact. Thank you very much.

Bill Dyer

Regional Director

In Defense of Animals



re: File number is 10-0982.

1 message

Ted Vegvari <tedv@palosverdes.com>
To: John.White@lacity.org

Wed, Aug 11, 2010 at 11:39 AM

Dear Mr. White,

Please make my letter part of the public record, I am strongly in favor of increasing the number of dogs allowed in homes to 5. IN fact, I support raising the ,mit to 6 as was done in San Diego with great success.

I strongly support the increase and feel it it will enable responsible people to care for more dogs and help to decrease the current incredibly high number of animals killed.

Thank you very much. Ted Vegvari 30940 Hawthorne Blvd. Ste 101 RPV CA 90275