Appendix E: Jurisdictional Scan - Responsible Pet Ownership

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Bylaw	Responsible Pet Ownership Bylaw Bylaw No. 23M2006	Respecting Animal Care and Control By-law No. 2003-77	Regina Animal Bylaw Bylaw No. 2009-44	Municipal Code, Chapter 349 and other animal-related laws (including the Animal-Related Noise Bylaw)	Animal Licensing and Control Bylaw Bylaw No. 13145	Animal Control By-law By-law No. 9150
Restrictions on Number of Animals?	**NO**	**YES** • Maximum 3 dogs or 5 cats. • If both cats and dogs are kept, 5 animals are allowed with a maximum of 3 dogs.	**NO**	**YES** • No person shall keep more than six of any combination of dogs, cats, ferrets and rabbits (maximum of 3 dogs).	**YES** • The maximum number of pets allowed per residence is 6 cats and 3 dogs.	**YES** • Maximum of 3 dogs. • There are also restrictions on the number of other animals you can keep.
Dog Licensing?	**YES** • Dogs over 3 months must be licensed. • Dog must wear the license tag when off their owners' property. • Reduction in annual fee for puppies (under 6 months) and dogs that are spayed/neutered.	**YES** • All dogs must be registered and the identification tag must be securely fixed on the collar or harness at all times. • Reduction in annual fee for puppies (under 6 months) and dogs that are spayed/neutered and/or microchipped. • No charge for service dogs.	**YES** • All dogs must be licensed. • Dog must wear, around its neck, the dog identification tag. • Reduction in annual fee for puppies (under 6 months), dogs that are spayed/neutered and show dogs. • No charge for assist dogs.	**YES** • All dogs must be licensed and the tag must be securely fixed on the animal at all times. • Reduction in annual fee for seniors and/or spayed/neutered dogs. • No charge for personal assistance dogs. • Ran an amnesty period from September 1-October 31, 2011.	**YES** • Dogs over 6 months must be licensed. • Dogs must always wear collar tags. • Reduction in annual fee for seniors/those on social assistance and/or spayed/neutered dogs. • Free puppy licenses available for animals under 6 months. • No charge for certified assistance (guide) dogs. • First year license fee is waived for new spayed/neutered dogs and dogs adopted from the Humane Society.	**YES** • Dogs over 3 months must be licensed. • All dogs must wear a collar with a license tag attached. • Reduction in annual fee if the animal is spayed/neutered. • No charge for guide dogs. • Add $10 to the licensing fee if not paid within 30 days after the due date.
Cat Licensing?	**YES** • Cats over 3 months must have a license. • The cat should be wearing the license tag or have a microchip/tattoo. • Reduction in annual fee for kittens (under 6 months) and cats that are spayed/neutered.	**YES** • All cats must be registered and the identification tag must be securely fixed on the collar or harness at all times. • Reduction in annual fee for kittens (under 6 months) and cats that are spayed/neutered and/or microchipped. • No charge for service cats.	**YES** • All cats must be licensed. • Cat must wear, around its neck, the cat identification tag or must be identified by either microchip or tattoo. • Reduction in annual fee for kittens (under 6 months), cats that are spayed/neutered and show cats.	**YES** • All cats must be licensed and the tag must be securely fixed on the animal at all times. • Reduction in annual fee for seniors and/or spayed/neutered cats. • Ran an amnesty period from September 1-October 31, 2011.	**YES** • Cats over 6 months must be licensed. • Cats must wear collars with a City-issued license tag or be permanently marked with a tattoo or microchip. •Reduction in annual fee for seniors/those on social assistance and/or spayed/neutered cats. •Free kitten licenses available for animals under 6 months. •First year license fee is waived for new spayed/neutered dogs and dogs adopted from the Humane Society.	**NO**

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Annual Cost of a Cat License	• Kittens (3 months to under 6 months) - $15 • Spayed/neutered cats - $15 • Unaltered cats - $30	• Kittens (under 6 months) w/ microchip - $16 • Spayed/neutered cats w/ microchip - $16 • Kittens (under 6 months) w/out microchip - $21 • Spayed/neutered cats w/out microchip - $21 • Unaltered cats w/ microchip - $21 • Unaltered cats w/out microchip - $37 • Service cats - no fee	• $100 a year but is reduced to $20 a year for: -Kittens (under 6 months) -Spayed/neutered cats -Show cats (copy of entry form & receipt from cat show's secretary)	• Spayed/neutered cats - $15 • Unaltered cats - $50 • Spayed/neutered pet of senior - $7.50 • Unaltered pet of senior - $25	• Kittens (under 6 months) - no fee • Spayed/neutered cats - $20 • Unaltered cats - $75	**N/A**
Restrictions on Tethering?	**YES** • Dogs cannot be left unattended if tethered.	**YES** • Choke chains/pronged collars cannot form part of the tether. • No person can keep an animal tethered on a rope, chain or similar restraining device unless: -the tether is of appropriate length (minimum 3 m for dogs), -the animal has unrestricted movement within the range of the tether, and -the animal cannot injure itself as a result of the tethering.	**NO**	**YES** • Minimum length of rope, chain, or similar restraining device when tethering an animal is 3 m. • Every person who tethers an animal must ensure that the animal has unrestricted movement within the range of the tether and that the animal cannot suffer injury resulting from the tethering.	**NO**	**YES** • Dogs must not be tied or fastened to a fixed object by using a choke collar or chain or by tying a rope, chain, or cord directly around the dog's neck.
Restrictions on Leashes?	**YES** • Dog leash shall not exceed 2 m in length on pathways only (longer leashes are permitted otherwise). • When operating a bicycle or wheeled conveyance on a pathway, no person shall do so with any Animal on a leash.	**YES** • Dog leash shall not exceed 3 m in length. • No owner shall control a dog by means of a leash that: -is not held by the person in his or her hand, or -is not securely affixed to some immovable structure from which the dog cannot escape.	**NO**	**YES** • Dog leash shall not exceed 2 m in length.	**YES** • Dog leash shall not exceed 2 m in length.	**YES** • Dog leash shall not exceed 2.5 m in length.
Restrictions on Transporting?	**YES** • Dogs must be restrained in a manner that prevents contact with any member of the public and must have suitable ventilation if left unattended in a motor vehicle. Weather conditions must also be suitable. • Dogs in the back of pickup trucks must be enclosed in a trailer, in a truck bed covered by a topper, secured in a ventilated kennel or securely tethered in the back of the truck. They cannot be standing on bare metal.	**NO**	**NO**	**NO**	**YES** • No person shall have an animal in a transit vehicle or facility of the City unless it is within a fully enclosed carrier, it is carried by the person at all times and that full adult fare is paid for the animal (does not apply to certified assistance dogs).	**YES** • Dogs must not be kept in a vehicle unless secured in a manner that prevents the dog from falling or being thrown out of the vehicle.

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Impoundment Period Identified?	**YES** • The Director shall not sell, euthanize, or otherwise dispose of an impounded Animal or Vicious Animal until an Animal is retained in the Animal Services Centre for: (a) 7 days after the Owner has received notice that the Animal is in the Animal Services Centre; or (b) 72 hours, if the name and address of the Owner is not known.	**YES** • The operator of the pound shall keep any impounded dog/cat for a redemption period of 3 days (excluding the day on which the dog/cat is impounded, statutory holidays, and days that the pound is not open). • After the redemption period, the operator of the pound may: -release the dog/cat to its owner upon compliance with the requirements, or -keep, sell or dispose of the dog/cat.	**YES** • An animal that is detained may be considered to be relinquished to the animal shelter after: (a) 72 hours if the owner is unknown. (b) 10 days if the owner is known or it appears to be pure-bred. • When an animal has been relinquished, the Director may: -make the animal available for public adoption, or -destroy the animal by humane means.	**YES** • Dogs and cats shall be impounded for a minimum period of 5 days from the time of impoundment (excluding of the day on which the animal was impounded, and days on which the animal centre is closed). • If a dog or cat is not redeemed within the 5 day period, the animal becomes the property of the City and may be adopted or euthanized.	**YES** • If a dog is seized for seriously injuring or killing a person or animal, the dog may not be impounded for more than 21 days unless the court proceedings for a destruction or other order are commenced within that time.	**YES** • The Poundkeeper may detain for 72 hours after the date of impoundment (does not apply to dogs that have bitten). • After expiry of the 72 hours, the Poundkeeper may destroy, or sell by auction or private sale, an impounded dog. • For dogs that have bitted or are alleged to have bitten a human, the Poundkeeper may detain for 21 days after the date of impoundment.
Proof of Ownership Required when Redeeming an Animal?	**YES** • Where an Animal or Vicious Animal is claimed, the Owner shall provide proof of Ownership of the Animal.	**NO**	**YES** • An owner or the owner's agent may claim a detained animal by providing the Director with proof of ownership or entitlement to the animal.	**NO**	**NO**	**YES** • At any time before destruction or sale of a dog , the owner may apply to the Poundkeeper to reclaim the dog, and, when applying, must give the Poundkeeper proof of ownership.
Other Programs that Promote Responsible Pet Ownership	• School and Educational Programs • Pick Up Pooch's Poo Yourself (P.U.P.P.Y) Program • No Cost Spay/Neuter Program for low income Calgarians • Public Education Programs • Cat and Dog Adoption Programs • "I Heart My Pet" Rewards Program • Behavioural Program • PAWS Pal - Volunteer Animal Socialization Program	• City-operated Spay/Neuter Clinic • Dog Bite Prevention Program • Dogs-in-Parks Designation Program • Collaboration with animal care organizations	• Get out of Jail Free Program • Fund Low Income Spay/Neuter Program • Pet Rewards Card (starting 2012)	• Public education and outreach programs • Feral Cat Trap/Neuter/Release Program • Pet Adoption Program • Offer cat sterilization at spay/neuter clinic	• Grant Program (available to rescue groups) • Programs in development: 1)Feral Trap/Neuter/Return Program 2)Low-cost Spay/Neuter Program 3)"Home Safe" incentive program 4)"Pets in the City" Children's Education Program	• Dog Adoption Program

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Promotions/ Public Awareness	• Mobile application (City of Calgary Pets) • Iheartmypet.ca • Brochures • Information and videos on City website • Attend community events	• Information on City website • Brochures • Attend events (Bylaw Officers) Note: Ottawa contracts out shelter services to the Humane Society - they also help to promote responsible pet ownership	• Leaflets and brochures Note: Enforcement and shelter services contracted out to Humane Society so they take care of a lot of the advertising/promotional materials	• Education Officer attends community events • Information on City website • Brochures	• Brochures • Posters • Off-leash site publication • Pets in the City campaign (message being shared through bus ads, billboards, in parks and supermarkets) •Information on City website • Attend approx. 15 events/year (officers attend events, also have 2 community relations people on staff) • Sponsor Pet Expo	• Information on City website • "Owning a Dog Comes with Strings" Campaign (pamphlets through schools, pet stores, vets, police stations, libraries, community centres) • "Rex in the City" Campaign (Videos, colouring sheets, radio ads, "Training Rex in the City" obedience manual) • Community fairs and displays (Humane Society events, pet expos)
Other Restrictions	• Dogs cannot enter or remain in or on school grounds, playgrounds, sports fields, golf courses, cemeteries, wading or swimming areas, or any other area where dogs are prohibited by posted signs. • Dogs are not allowed to swim in any body of water within a park, with the exception of a river that runs through or is adjacent to a City park. • No person shall tease an animal caught in an enclosed space or throw/poke any object into an enclosed space with an Animal is caught or confined therein.	• Dogs cannot be on parkland where the dog is within 5 m of a play structure, a wading pool or a spray pad. • There are restrictions on pigeons and rabbits. • No livestock permitted within the City. • Schedule B of the by-law outlines a number of prohibited animals.	• Unaltered female animals must be kept indoors at all times during the period the animal is in heat. • Cat trap requirements. • No leg hold/foot hold traps permitted. • No livestock permitted within the City.	• There are restrictions on pigeons. • Schedule A of Chapter 349 outlines a number of prohibited animals.	• Dogs prohibited at all times from school grounds, sports fields, playgrounds and golf courses. • No leg hold/foot hold traps permitted. • There are restrictions on pigeons. • Prohibited Animals (unless permission granted): -Large Animals or the young thereof -Poultry -Bees -Poisonous snakes, reptiles or insects	• Dogs are not permitted in schoolyards or playgrounds, or on public beaches or in the water nearby. • Female dogs must be confined and housed during the period they are in heat. • There are restrictions on hens. • A person must not keep certain domestic animals including horses, donkeys, cattle, swine, sheep, goats, ducks, geese, turkeys, pheasants, quail, or other poultry or fowl. •Schedule C of the by-law outlines a number of wild or exotic animals that a person is prohibited from keeping in any area (includes reptiles and snakes classified as venomous).