

TITLE 20
ANIMAL PROTECTION

Chapter 20.20—Animal Protection Authorities*

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20.20.005. General authority and purpose.

(a) The borough manager shall appoint a director of animal protection and such other animal protection officers and other employees necessary to carry out the provisions of this title.

(b) The borough manager shall provide the director of animal protection with the necessary office, shelters, vehicles, uniforms and other facilities and equipment necessary to faithfully perform the duties imposed by this title; or, in the alternative, the borough manager may contract for services to carry out the provisions of this title.

(Ord. No. 923, §1, 12-20-93)

20.20.010. Animal protection officers—Scope of duties. All animal protection officers shall have the following powers:

- (a) To investigate and discover violations of this title by all lawful means.
- (b) To impound an animal in accordance with the provisions of this title, or as otherwise provided by law.
- (c) To issue or cause to be issued a fine or fee for a notice of ordinance violation against any person violating any provision of this title.
- (d) To accurately keep and maintain public records pertaining to:
 - (1) Licenses and permits;
 - (2) Impoundments;
 - (3) Animals which constitute a public nuisance;
 - (4) Revenues assessed or collected under this title whether by fines or fees; and
 - (5) Such other actions as may be taken pursuant to this title.
- (e) To take such other action as may be necessary or appropriate to enforce the provisions of this title in the manner provided by law or ordinance, or such other action as may be required by the lawful direction of the borough manager.

(Ord. No. 923, §1, 12-20-93)

20.20.015. Same—Interference with or obstruction of duties. It is unlawful for any person to knowingly resist, oppose, obstruct or interfere with any animal protection officer acting within the

scope of authority under this title, or by threats or otherwise to intimidate or attempt to intimidate any such animal protection officer in the discharge of any official duty. (Ord. No. 923, §1, 12-20-93)

* **Cross reference**—Department of animal protection, Ch. 5.53