3. Animal Services in the City of Vancouver (VanRIMS No. 11-4600-21)

MOVED by Councillor Capri SECONDED by Councillor Anton

WHEREAS responsible pet ownership contributes to neighbourhoods and communities that are safer, more enjoyable and more liveable for everyone;

WHEREAS licensing of pets in other cities has proven to be financially beneficial and well-supported, as it helps the pets, their owners and the city;

WHEREAS other cities have demonstrated that licensing compliance of over 90% is achievable;

WHEREAS the Vancouver animal services facility is inadequate for the current needs of the city;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT staff are requested to work in cooperation with the School Board and Park Board to:

- 1) Develop and pursue a self-sustaining funding model for dog licensing, urban animal education, by-law enforcement and related programs;
- 2) Bring forward a request to the 2009-2011 capital plan for a new animal services facility; and
- 3) Consider community partnerships which may assist in the City's delivery of animal services.

Referred

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