

August 23, 2022

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ORDER ON MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION

SUBJECT: Regional Animal Services of King County file no. **V22013101-A2201881**

CATHERINE CASTRO

Animal Services Enforcement Appeal

Activity no.: A22001881

Appellant: **Catherine Castro**

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On July 21, we granted Catherine Castro's appeal of V22013101, an April 19 violation notice for her dog, Chico, qualifying as vicious and needing to be confined. At the conclusion we wrote that:

King County Code 20.22.040 directs the Examiner to make the County's final decision for this type of case. This decision shall be final and conclusive unless appealed to superior court by *August 22, 2022*. Either party may appeal this decision by applying for a writ of review in superior court in accordance with chapter 7.16 RCW.

Yesterday, Ms. Castro emailed that:

Hello I'm writing to you today my name is Catherine g Castro I'd like to appeal this report the report before it I'd like to appeal every decision regarding this matter and I'm asking for reconsideration and an appeal on this subject and this matter this issue and this situation thank you so very much for your reconsideration and assistance in this matter sincerely Catherine she Castro 206-822-1802 thank you

The only Castro-related matter the Examiner's Office has received is V22013101, on which Ms. Castro prevailed. It is not clear what she would be asking our reconsideration or seeking superior court review on related to V22013101, since she *won* in front of us. Nor does she list supposed errors in our decision.

We do not know what she means by appealing "every decision," since we have only had V22013101. If by any chance Ms. Castro has received a more recent notice and order from Animal Services (which would have a different V220xxxxx number), then she will want to follow the instructions in that document for how and by when to get an appeal of that *to Animal Services* (not to us).

In any event, we DENY Ms. Castro's motion for reconsideration. But we will extend, until **September 22, 2022**, the deadline for either party to appeal our July 21 decision by applying for a writ of review in superior court in accordance with chapter 7.16 RCW.

We can offer no further advice, and this will be our final word on the matter.

DATED August 23, 2022.



David Spohr
Hearing Examiner

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I, Lauren Olson, certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that I transmitted the **ORDER ON MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION** to those listed on the attached page as follows:

☒ EMAILED to all County staff listed as parties/interested persons and parties with e-mail addresses on record.

☒ placed with the United States Postal Service, with sufficient postage, as FIRST CLASS MAIL in an envelope addressed to the non-County employee parties/interested persons to addresses on record.

DATED August 23, 2022.



Lauren Olson
Legislative Secretary

Adara Peterson, Brin Rowett

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Castro, Catherine

Hardcopy

Eykel, Chelsea

Regional Animal Services of King County

Salas, Angela