

## **D#55 ANIMAL PROVISIONS**

### **SUPPLEMENTAL STAFF REPORT #2**

**SUMMARY:** This Supplemental Staff Report provides an outline of a proposal to allow Large Livestock through the Additional Animals Permit process as an amendment to the staff proposal regarding animal regulations.

#### **General Description**

Staff proposes adopting a new subsection under 4-4-010E1, Permitted with an Additional Animals Permit for Large Livestock. The subsection would allow for animals considered Large Livestock Animals (Cattle, horses, and other livestock generally weighing over 500 pounds) to be kept under conditions that parallel King County Code regarding these animals through the Additional Animals Permit. In the Additional Animals Permit Process section (4-9-100), subsection B Applicability an exception would be provided that would allow permits issued for Large Livestock to be transferrable to a different property owner provided it is the same property the permit was issued for. Subsection G Decision Criteria, would lay out conditions under which specific numbers of Large Livestock may be kept.

The conditions would allow for the keeping of Large Livestock in numbers greater than what is permitted outright in the Animal Regulations section, depending on the conditions under which the Large Livestock are to be kept. The conditions would be outlined as follows:

- Up to three Large Livestock per acre would be allowed if:
  - Standards protecting wetland and aquatic areas, as well as, adequately managing manure are followed and maintained (these standards parallel King County's Livestock Management Standards and Farm Management Plan).
  - The site that is used to accommodate the Large Livestock is at least 20,000 net square feet in size.
- Up to six Large Livestock per acre would be allowed if:
  - Standards protecting wetland and aquatic areas, as well as, adequately managing manure are followed and maintained (these standards parallel King County's Livestock Management Standards and Farm Management Plan); and
  - The Large Livestock are kept in a stable with a covered area and have access to a grazing/pasture area; and
  - The site that is used to accommodate the Large Livestock is at least 20,000 net square feet in size; and
  - No more than the equivalent of three Large Livestock per acre are kept in the grazing/pasture area on a full time basis.

Subsection I regarding the period of validity, should be amended to strike the portion that states permits shall be reviewed annually, so that the permit is valid as long as the operator is in compliance with the City requirements. Finally, in subsection J Violations and Penalties, a new statement that if the Keeping of Additional Animals is abandoned for one year the permit will be revoked should be added.