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Staff Report

SS ITEM NO. 2

To: Lemoore City Council
From: Jeff Laws, Chief of Police
Date: March 23, 2011
Subject: Household Pets

Discussion:

The City Council on March 15, 2011, was asked by Mrs. Jo Ann Montgomery from Devon Drive for a waver to the Lemoore Municipal Code Section 9-2-2 in regards to the number of household pets permitted within the City of Lemoore.

Lemoore Municipal Code Section 9-2-2 was enacted on February 6, 1979.

The current Municipal Code states the following:

HOUSEHOLD PETS: Animals or birds ordinarily permitted in dwellings and kept only for the company or pleasure provided to the occupants. Household pets shall not include horses, cows, goats, sheep, other equine, bovine, ovine or ruminant animals, pigs other than miniature potbelly pigs, predatory wild animals, chickens, ducks, geese, turkeys, pigeons, game birds, fowl which normally constitute an agricultural use, poisonous reptiles and bees. Rodents and rabbits shall not exceed four (4) per property or dwelling. Not more than three (3) in number of any combination of dogs and/or cats and/or miniature potbelly pigs of four (4) months of age or older shall be kept per dwelling.

I have contacted the County of Kings, City of Hanford and the City of Avenal and they all have a limit of not more than three (3) in number of any combination of dogs and/or cats. The City of Corcoran has just recently updated their ordinance and increased the number of household pets from three (3) to four (4) and the County of Kings is in the process of attempting to increase the number of Household pets from three (3) to four (4).

The County and all of the Cities were asked if they had any kind of wavier for the number of animals allowed within their jurisdiction and none of these jurisdictions have any type of waver process to allow more animals.

Budget Impact:

None.

Recommendation:

Discussion only.