

COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR, PERSONNEL AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE relative to amending Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 53.50- Governing Rules for Granting Permits for Pet Shops.

Recommendation for Council action:

REQUEST the City Attorney, with the assistance of the Department of Animal Services (DAS), to prepare and present an Ordinance to amend LAMC 5350 to reflect in substance language detailed in the August 27, 2018 DAS report, attached to the Council file; and, as part of said amendment, include consideration of animal rescue organizations that draw their animals from the City and County of Los Angeles.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The DAS reports that there is no fiscal impact.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On December 5, 2018, the Chair of the Personnel and Animal Committee considered an August 27, 2018 DAS report relative to amending LAMC Section 53.50- Governing Rules for Granting Permits for Pet Shops. According to the DAS, on August 14, 2018, the Board of Animal Service Commissioners approved amending LAMC Section to require that pets being sold in pet shops come from Los Angeles City or Los Angeles County municipal animal shelters. Also, the amendment would also remove references to the humane societies and rescue groups as possible sources of animals that can be sold in pet shops. The recommended language for the amendment is detailed in the DAS report. After consideration the Committee Chair moved to recommend approval of the proposed amendment. Also, the Committee Chair moved to recommend that rescue organizations that draw their animals from the City and County of Los Angeles be included as acceptable sources of animals under the proposed amendment. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

COUNCILMEMBER PAUL KORETZ, CHAIR  
PERSONNEL AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
KORETZ:	YES
HARRIS-DAWSON:	ABSENT
ENGLANDER:	ABSENT

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