



December 6, 2011

City Council Committee Report

To: Mayor & Council

**Fr: Richard Perchuk, Operations Manager
Kevin Robertson, Supervisor of By-law Enforcement (Operations)**

**Re: Amendment to By-law 150-2010 being a By-law To Regulate the
Keeping of Animals within the City of Kenora**

Recommendation:

That Council hereby approves amending By-Law 150-2010, being a by-law to regulate the keeping of animals within the City of Kenora, to permit changes to the following sections as set out below:-

Section 4. "Dogs at Large" is amended to read:

4.7 "Sundays and statutory holidays" be deleted
and replaced with: "statutory and municipal civic holidays".

4.7.2 The following sentence be deleted:

"Once the dog is deemed to be abandoned by the owner, pursuant to Section 4.7 above, the By-law Enforcement Officer shall arrange to have it disposed of accordingly"; and

and replaced with:

"Once the dog is deemed to be abandoned by the owner, pursuant to Section 4.7 above, the By-law Enforcement Officer may arrange to have it disposed of accordingly"; and

Section 6. "Keeping of Cats" is amended to read:

6.6 "Sundays and statutory holidays" be deleted
and replaced with "statutory and municipal civic holidays".

6.6.2 The following sentence be deleted:

"Once the cat is deemed to be abandoned by the owner, pursuant to Section 6.6 above, the By-law Enforcement Officer shall arrange to have it disposed of accordingly"; and

and replaced with:

"Once the cat is deemed to be abandoned by the owner, pursuant to Section 6.6 above, the By-law Enforcement Officer may arrange to have it disposed of accordingly"; and further,

That three readings be given to a by-law for this purpose.

Background:

Concerns regarding days of operation, days of impoundment, pound fees and disposition of cats and dogs have been forwarded to By-law Enforcement (Animal Control) by It's a Dog's Life and The Cat Shelter. The aforementioned recommendations reflect the movement of the City of Kenora towards a 7 day a week pound operation and its desire to have a working relationship with animal welfare organizations. The wording in the attachment, to this Report, is as per the Sections set out in By-law 150-2010 and shows the recommended changes in red.

Budget: N/A**Communication Plan/Notice By-law Requirements:**

Resolution and By-law required

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