

Council Committee Agenda Item Referral

Council Member or Executive Sponsor: **Mayor and Council**

Description of Item: Discuss whether the Council should consider an ordinance that generally prohibits animal cruelty and promotes animal welfare.

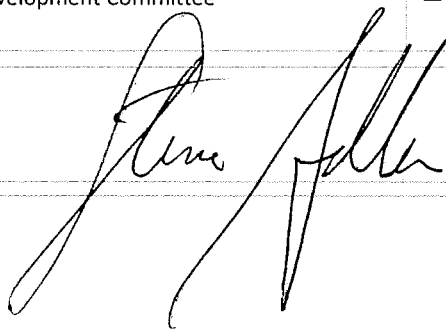
Actions taken to date: On August 6, 2015, the Council adopted an ordinance banning the use of bull hooks on all elephants in the City by the end of 2016. The Council discussed the lack of a City ordinance generally prohibiting cruelty and protecting animals.

NOTES: Consider whether the City should adopt an ordinance that generally prohibits cruelty and protects animals. In doing so, the evaluation should consider existing state and federal laws, as well as ordinances that exist in other cities.

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Mayor Signature & Date:



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