

# **Recommendation for Council Action**

Austin City Council Item ID 65115 Agenda Number 2.

Meeting Date: 12/8/2016 Department: Animal Services Office

#### Subject

Approve an ordinance amending City Code Section 3-1-29 (Sterilization) related to the sterilization of animals at the Austin Animal Shelter.

# Amount and Source of Funding

Any fiscal impact will be nominal and ASO will be able to absorb the costs into its Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017. Staff will continue to closely monitor costs throughout the remainder of Fiscal Year 2016-2017 and will present funding needs and potential funding sources to Council during the Fiscal Year 2017–2018 budget adoption process.

#### Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	Health and Human Services Committee voted the topic of spay/neuter on first impoundment to the full council on October 12, 2016. On November 3, 2016, Council passed Resolution 20161103-066.
For More Information:	For more information, please contact Tawny Hammond, director, Animal Services, 512-978-0536; or Kristen Auerbach, deputy, 512-978-0507, or Lee Ann Shenefiel, deputy, 512-978-0521.
Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:	Animal Advisory Commission, September 12, 2016, moved to vote for spay/neuter on first impoundment, and the vote was 5-4; motion failed.
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

# Additional Backup Information

On November 3, 2016, Council passed Resolution 20161103-066 (Resolution) directing the City Manager to amend City Code Section 3-1-29 (Sterilization) relating to the sterilization of animals impounded at the Austin Animal Shelter. The proposed code amendment in the original Resolution changed the timing of the sterilization of an animal from second impoundment to first impoundment. An amendment to the original Resolution adding exceptions prohibiting the sterilization of an animal and a notification requirement was approved on a vote of 9-1 with Councilmember Troxclair off the dais. These approved changes are hereby incorporated into City Code Section 3-1-29 (Sterilization).