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Name

Address

Bothell, WA

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RE: NOTICE OF DANGEROUS DOG DECLARATION

Dear :

Pursuant to Bothell Municipal Code, Chapter 6.04, notice is hereby given that your two dogs, a one year old Husky and a two year old Australian Cattle Dog have been determined to be Dangerous Dogs, by reason that the dogs have:

Inflicted severe injury on a human being without provocation on public or private property

Killed or inflicted severe injury on a domestic animal without provocation while off the owner’s property

Has been previously found to be potentially dangerous, the owner having received notice of such and the dog again aggressively bites, attacks, or endangers the safety of humans

Is a potentially dangerous dog, as defined in this chapter, that has been permitted or allowed to run free and unrestrained off the property of its owner

Is a potentially dangerous dog, as defined in this chapter, that has harassed, tormented or caused concern for the safety of persons or domestic animals

Has demonstrated a propensity, tendency, or disposition to attack unprovoked, to cause injury, or otherwise to threaten the safety of humans or domestic animals and which has previously been determined to be a potentially dangerous dog.

It is unlawful for an owner to have a Dangerous Dog in the city without a certificate of registration. A certificate of registration shall be issued to the owner of the Dangerous Dog if the owner presents to the City’s animal control officer sufficient evidence of:

1. A proper enclosure to confine a dangerous dog and the posting of the premises with a clearly visible warning sign that there is a dangerous dog on the property. While on the owner’s property, a dangerous or potentially dangerous dog shall be securely confined indoors or in a securely enclosed and locked pen or structure suitable to prevent the entry of young children and designed to prevent the animal from escaping. Such pen or structure shall have secure sides and a secure top and any other devices determined necessary for security by the animal control authority and shall also provide protection from the elements for the dog. In addition, the owner shall conspicuously display a sign with a warning symbol that informs children of the presence of a dangerous dog; and

2. A surety bond issued by a surety insurer qualified under Chapter 48.28 RCW in a form acceptable to the animal control authority in the sum of at least $250,000, payable to any person injured by the dangerous dog, or such surety bond that otherwise meets the requirements of RCW 16.08.080; or

A policy of liability insurance, such as homeowner’s insurance, issued by an insurer qualified under RCW Title 48 in the amount of at least $250,000, insuring the owner for any personal injuries inflicted by the dangerous dog, or such liability insurance that otherwise meets the requirements of RCW 16.08.080.

Pursuant to Bothell Municipal Code Section 6.24.160 the owner of the Dangerous Dog is entitled to an appeal. Upon receiving a notice of appeal, the board of appeals shall set a time and place, not more than 30 days from such notice for hearing thereon. Written notice of the time and place of hearing shall be given at least 10 days prior to the date of the hearing to each appellant by the manager-clerk of the board.

At the hearing, the appellant shall be entitled to appear in person and be represented by counsel and offer such evidence pertinent and material to the action of the director. Only those matters or issues specifically raised by the appellant in the written notice of appeal shall be considered.

Any civil penalty and the cost of abatement are personal obligations of the animal owner.

Issued By:

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Bothell Animal Control Authority

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Primary Animal Owner