

1 [Animal Care & Control—investigation of complaints at San Francisco Zoo.]

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3 **Ordinance amending S. F. Health Code Sec. 41.4 to authorize the Animal Care and**  
4 **Control Department to investigate complaints regarding animal care at the San**  
5 **Francisco Zoo and to work with the Recreation and Park Department and the Director**  
6 **of the Zoo to remedy any deficiencies in animal care.**

7 Note: Additions are *single-underline italics Times New Roman*;  
8 deletions are *strikethrough italics Times New Roman*.  
9 Board amendment additions are double underlined.  
Board amendment deletions are ~~strikethrough normal~~.

10 Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

11 Section 1. The San Francisco Health Code is hereby amended by amending Section  
12 41.4, to read as follows:

13 Sec. SEC. 41.4. ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL DEPARTMENT; ESTABLISHMENT;  
14 APPOINTMENT OF ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER; POWERS AND DUTIES OF ANIMAL  
15 CARE AND CONTROL DEPARTMENT.

16 (a) Effective July 1, 1989, there is hereby established an Animal Care and  
17 Control Department under the jurisdiction of the City Administrator. The Department shall  
18 consist of a Director and such employees and assistants as may be necessary to carry out the  
19 work and functions of the Department. The City Administrator shall appoint an Animal Control  
20 Officer who shall serve at the pleasure of the City Administrator as the Director of the Animal  
21 Care and Control Department.

22 (b) The Animal Care and Control Department shall have the following  
23 functions:

24 (1) To operate an animal shelter;

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1           (2)    To provide nourishment and medical care for animals in its care; basic  
2 health screening for all animals and a disease control program for the facility; vaccination of  
3 animals; euthanasia of animals by barbiturate injection or other humane methods; sale of dog  
4 licenses; volunteer programs; information on animal control laws, pet owner or guardian  
5 responsibilities and pet care; and maintenance of records of all animal control activities;

6           (3)    To enforce the provisions of this Article and any other ordinances and  
7 laws that pertain to the care and control of animals;

8           (4)    To charge and collect the fees, fines and deposits as required by this  
9 Article and any other ordinances and laws that pertain to the care and control of animals; and

10          (5)    To carry out the duties and functions of the Animal Control Officer as  
11 defined in Article I of this Code, Section 985 of this Code, Sections 220 through 221.3 of the  
12 San Francisco Business and Tax Regulations Code, and any other ordinances and laws  
13 pertaining to the care and control of animals.

14          (6)    To investigate complaints regarding the condition or care of animals at the San  
15 Francisco Zoo. The Director shall make recommendations to, and work with, the Recreation and Park  
16 Department and the Director of the Zoo to remedy any deficiencies in animal care in accordance with  
17 federal, state and local law.

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20 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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