

(i) Hold public hearings to decide citations, complaints, and other controversies arising under the animal control ordinance, other than those filed with the District Court of Maryland for Washington County, subject to the right of a party to file a petition for judicial review in the Circuit Court for Washington County; and

(ii) Adopt rules and regulations for the governance of its hearings;

(2) Designate an appropriate private agency or department of county government to:

(i) Enforce the provisions of the ordinance;

(ii) Maintain records regarding the licensing, impoundment, and disposition of animals coming into the custody of the private agency or department of county government; and

(iii) Enter into contracts or agreements to provide for the disposal of animals;

(3) Provide for the designation of animal control shelters in Washington County;

(4) Specify rules and regulations that may include:

(i) The licensing of dogs, kennels, and pet shops;

(ii) The control of rabid animals; and

(iii) The disposition of uncontrolled, vicious, and sick animals; and

(5) Provide [penalties for] THAT a violation of the animal control ordinance IS A MISDEMEANOR PUNISHABLE BY IMPRISONMENT OF UP TO 30 DAYS OR A FINE OF \$1,000, OR BOTH FOR EACH OFFENSE.

(C) (1) AN ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER MAY DELIVER A CITATION TO A PERSON BELIEVED TO BE COMMITTING A VIOLATION OF AN ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE.

(2) (I) THE ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER SHALL KEEP A COPY OF THE CITATION.

(II) THE CITATION SHALL BEAR A CERTIFICATION ATTESTING TO THE TRUTH OF THE MATTERS SET FORTH IN THE CITATION.

(D) THE CITATION SHALL CONTAIN:

(1) THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON CHARGED;

(2) THE NATURE OF THE VIOLATION;

(3) THE LOCATION AND TIME OF THE VIOLATION;

(4) THE AMOUNT OF THE FINE;