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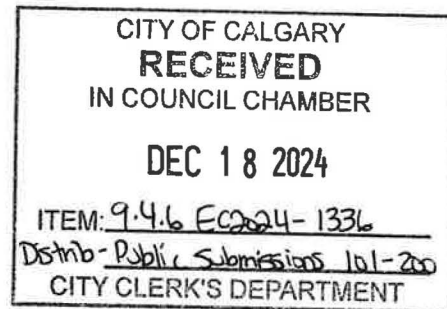
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First name [required] **Melissa**

Last name [required] **Walcott**

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[required] - max 75 characters **9.4.6**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**

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I support this notice of motion. As a responsible pet owner it breaks my heart every day to see dumped animals, shelters over ran, and rescues working beyond their capacity to try to address this growing problem.

Rabbits are one of the most dumped animals and the most at risk. Please ban the sale of rabbits in pet stores as they are not providing the vital information needed to make informed decisions about this pet ownership resulting in careless dumping. Rabbits do not do well with other rabbits so dumping them in colonies where they are not well adjusted or introduced properly can be life or death for them.

My hopes is that you can subsidize the cost of neuter and spay for rabbits also. They are to be seen at exotic vets and that contributes to why people do not feel the need to get them altered.

I used to work in the Manchester industrial area where the area was overpopulated by feral dumped bunnies, the virus wiped out the entire population and terrified me that I would track it home to my rabbit. Animals deserve more.

I support any notice of motion that brings forth dialogue and efforts to protect animals.

Thank you!



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First name [required] Thomas

Last name [required] Kent

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[required] - max 75 characters Notice of Motion - Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits!

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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I am strongly in favor of this motion restricting the sale of dogs, cats and rabbits. I think it is irresponsible to continue to allow the sale of animals in pet stores and by breeders in light of the surplus of animals available for adoption at local shelters and rescues. Pet ownership is a responsibility and the public would be much better served by adopting pets from agencies that provide education and support for potential pet owners.



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Last name [required] Spiteri

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[required] - max 75 characters Sale of dogs cats and rabbits

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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First name [required] Julie

Last name [required] Daniels

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[required] - max 75 characters Dog, cat and rabbit sale ban

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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Calgary needs to step up and ban the sale of cats, dogs and rabbits from stores and private citizens. Our animal shelters are exploding from all the people who bought pets during covid and no longer need/want their companionship. Many of these pets were purchased from private citizens looking to make quick money when demand for pets was high. There is no expectation for animals purchased privately to be spayed or neutered contributing to overpopulation. The housing crisis is another problem, as affordable and pet friendly housing is very limited in Calgary. Animals are suffering and rescue organizations (which mainly run on donations) can only do so much. Our animal protection laws in Alberta and Calgary are already woefully inadequate. The least we can do is place limitations and restrictions on people looking to make money through breeding and selling animals. Animals should only be available for adoption through reputable rescue organizations that actually care about animal welfare and will ensure that they are cared for properly.



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Last name [required] Moroianu

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[required] - max 75 characters Responsible pet sales and ownership review

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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I do not believe the mentioned animals should be sold in stores. There are far too many breeders and rescues overrun with animals.

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First name [required] **Cassandra**

Last name [required] **Brown**

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[required] - max 75 characters **Not allowing the sale of cat dogs and rabbits**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**



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I volunteer for 2 rescues in Calgary and it is heartbreaking the # of surrenders and cats dogs and rabbits being abandoned in and outside of the city. Spay and neutering should be a necessary part of responsible pet ownership with the # of pets being uncarred for and shelters and foster homes beyond capacity. Please, please be a voice for the voiceless Tuesday and dont allow for sales of cats dogs and rabbits.



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First name [required] Melissa

Last name [required] BRATHWAITE

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Its time we support the rescue community and disallow the few places left that retail animals as commodities with no regard for their future. All animals should require being spayed, neutered and fully vaccinated to be retailed



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First name [required] Teresa

Last name [required] Nelson

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[required] - max 75 characters 9.4.6 pets

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Last name [required] Fenyvesi

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First name [required] **Jeanette**

Last name [required] **Hoppus**

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[required] - max 75 characters **9.4.6 dogs cats and rabbits**

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I fully support the ban of selling pets in stores. Traditionally, these animals come from puppy mill situations which are neglectful and abusive environments. Animal shelters are over crowded and responsible breeders have a place in keeping pure bred lines moving forward. Only irresponsible breeding facilities would sell to pet stores, so this needs to be stopped.



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First name [required] Laureen

Last name [required] Zaretski

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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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There are too many animals already suffering from abuse, neglect, dehydration, starvation, over breeding, lacking vet care, loving and safe homes. Shelters are beyond capacity yet continuously still faced with unending emails, calls, after-hours illegal "drop-offs," and public requests for animal surrenders due to the lack of affordable animal-friendly rentals or condos. Many people view animals as property and are okay with discarding pets when they no longer want the responsibility of the pet. Unwanted pets have been released to the streets, public parks, and roadways or left in abandoned rentals and even tossed into trash like garbage. Some animals have been boxed up or sealed up alive, left to suffer and perish a horrible death. Unwanted, abandoned pets around the city are left to fend for themselves for food, water, shelter, left to fight wildlife and other animals fighting for survival. If the abandoned pet is sick it can spread illness to other pets and wildlife. Parvo, distemper, rabies and RDHV can decimate wildlife and bring illness, suffering and hardship to pet owners. RDHV recently killed so many wild rabbits in Calgary and left the predators that survive on the rabbit population to find other forms of food. The RDHV outbreak made it mandatory for rabbit owners and shelters caring for rabbits to vaccinate their pet rabbits for RDHV. The City of Calgary is full of unclaimed, unfixed, unvetted animals, especially dogs, cats, and rabbits. It becomes the responsibility of caring humans in animal shelters, rescues, nonprofit groups and individual caring animal lovers who to help strays and abandoned pets in the community. It becomes the expense of caring tax paying humans to fund the rehab of neglected, abused, abandoned, sick, injured, unfixed animals, stop the spread of disease and unwanted litters. Stop the unnecessary selling, breeding, neglect, abuse and hardship of more animals by stopping the introduction of additional animals into our overpopulated pet society by for-profit breeders, puppy mills, backyard breeders and auctions. Help legitimate animal-loving, life-respecting, nonprofit, charitable, caring animal shelters and animal rescue groups end the suffering, breeding and neglect. Help to rehome healthy, fixed, vetted and microchipped animals from the discarded, abused, neglected, surrendered, pet population that already overwhelms our city.



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First name [required] **Nancy**

Last name [required] **Larsen**

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[required] - max 75 characters **Item 9.4.6: Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits!**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**

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I support banning the sale of cats, dogs and rabbits in Calgary. Animal welfare organizations are overwhelmed and reputable breeders do not sell their animals to stores that don't screen customers or ensure that animals are spayed or neutered if not of breeding quality. The feral rabbits in Calgary have contracted a virus that can spread to wild rabbits and decimate the population.



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First name [required] Alison

Last name [required] Varga

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What meeting do you wish to comment on? [required] Council

Date of meeting [required] Dec 5, 2024

What agenda item do you wish to comment on? (Refer to the Council or Committee agenda published [here](#))

[required] - max 75 characters Responsible pet sales and ownership

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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The rate of animals in shelters and rescues is alarming and there is a simple solution. Mandatory spay and neuter on all animals and breeders need to get special approval to breed any animals with very specific criteria, such as pedigree not just fads. All the cross breed designer dogs simply support puppy mills. Responsible breeders ensure their dogs never end up in a shelter and only breed 1-2 females at a time. Any registered pet MUST be fixed and, if any pet is found at large who is not, the owner should be given a certain period of time to fix their pet to avoid fines or the pet should be fixed. There is ZERO excuse for intact animals. If an animal is taken by animal services and it does not have identification, it should be mandatory spay/neuter. If it is at large unfixed, the fine should be substantially more than what it is. This should also include dogs from the reservations and should not be solely applicable to the city of Calgary but should be provide wide!!!! Please shut down puppy mills, please stop the sale of any animals unless by registered breeders, please hold those accountable who are just after a quick buck with their mutts, and please stop animals being given away simply to have a horrific end to their life. There's easy ways to catch these individuals if you funded the right workers (potentially non-unionized worker's to they actually work).



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Last name [required] Bezzola

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[required] - max 75 characters The motion banning the sale of dogs cats and rabbits

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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This motion is long overdue and is being applauded by the rescue community. We have been longtime volunteers with AARCS and have seen the effect not having this in place has caused. I urge you to adopt this motion.



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[required] - max 75 characters 9.4.6 Dogs, cats and rabbits

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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ATTACHMENT_02_FILENAME

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I urge the City of Calgary to take action to address the ongoing overpopulation crisis affecting dogs, cats, and rabbits by implementing a ban on their sale within city limits.

Animal rescues and shelters across Calgary are operating at or beyond capacity, struggling to care for abandoned and surrendered pets. The continued sale of these animals by pet stores and breeders exacerbates the problem, leaving countless animals without homes and further straining already limited resources.

Banning the sale of dogs, cats, and rabbits in favor of promoting adoption through rescues and shelters will help:

- Reduce overpopulation and euthanasia rates.
- Support ethical, humane practices.
- Encourage responsible pet ownership.

Many municipalities across Canada, including Toronto and Vancouver, have already implemented similar bans with success. It's time for Calgary to take a stand and be a leader in animal welfare.

These animals cannot speak for themselves—they need us to be their voice. Please consider this proposal to create a more compassionate Calgary.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.



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First name [required] Amy

Last name [required] Cahill

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[required] - max 75 characters Notice of Motion - Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits! A Responsible Pet Sales and Own

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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This is huge for the city of Calgary and I am strongly in support of this by-law.



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First name [required] Amber

Last name [required] Newbury

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[required] - max 75 characters Item 9.4.6: Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits

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Yes! This needs to happen everywhere.

I would give up seeing cute puppies and kittens forever if it meant no longer seeing the ones suffering, starving and dead. Society has proven that most not all are no longer responsible. Society has proven they cant be responsible for keeping the innocent ones safe. Giving adequate shelter. Feeding. Water! See so many without. Spaying and neutering.. many see these precious lives as materials.. a status. Vaccines.. it's exhausting seeing the parvo.. distemper etc.. lost and found dogs some are tragically accidents and they do happen.. but far more are preventable. Cats... I'll make this short. Keep your cat inside and fix them. So many are freezing to death... lost.. oh and hit poisoned or trapped relocated on purpose. Society has proven to me their lazy. And with lack of compassion. Please enforce no more selling a living being. This just creates more suffering. Society needs a reality check.. and to go volunteer at rescues who are the super heroes without capes and deserve to be heard.

Thank you!



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First name [required] Susan

Last name [required] Boonstra

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[required] - max 75 characters Banning the sale of rabbits, dogs, cats

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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Please be a leader in the issue of profit generation from the sale of rabbits, dogs and cats. The population of unwanted animals grows year after year and the suffering of many animals can be effectively mitigated by banning the act of sale. Please set the example so the City of Edmonton can follow suit under your lead.



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Last name [required] Kane

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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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First name [required] Kirsten

Last name [required] Nielsen

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[required] - max 75 characters 9.4.6 banning the sale of dogs, cats, and rabbits in stores

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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The sale of animals in stores, other than those placed for adoption by a recognized charitable rescue organization, should be banned. Allowing sales like these to continue perpetuates the issues that continuously come up regarding the inhumane treatment of the animals at the breeding facilities who provide the stores with their "stock". Mothers are continuously bred till they are no longer a viable source. The conditions they live in are often border ng on abuse. They deserve so much more than being an incubator for someone's wallet..

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Last name [required] **Baker**

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Date of meeting [required] **Dec 17, 2024**

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[required] - max 75 characters **Banning the sale of dogs cats and rabbits in the City of Calgary**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**

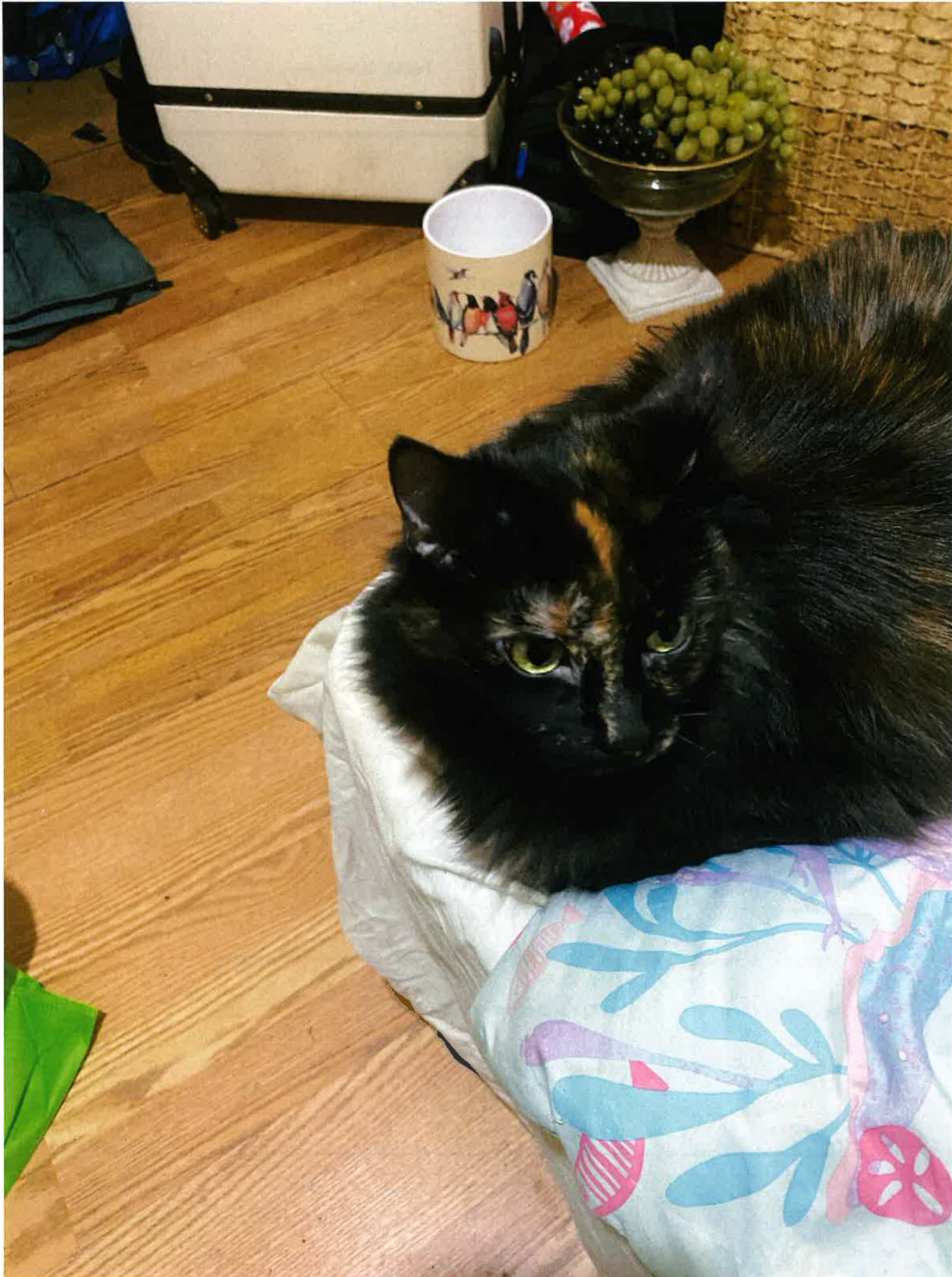
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There are so many rescue animals available. It seems especially bizarre to sell rabbits as pets when so many beautiful rabbits are available from rescues. The same is true for cats and dogs. I have attached a photo of my rescue cat who has brought so much joy to my life!



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9.4.6 Dogs, Cats and Rabbits

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required]

In favour



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I am all for this!!! The sale of rabbits needs to stop! Pet owners need to be held alot more responsible for their pets.



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Last name [required] Gerwing

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What meeting do you wish to comment on? [required] Council

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[required] - max 75 characters RE: Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits! A Responsible Pet Sales and Ownership Review

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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Long time coming.



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First name [required] Alicia

Last name [required] Harrison

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What meeting do you wish to comment on? [required] Standing Policy Committee on Community Development

Date of meeting [required] Dec 17, 2024

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[required] - max 75 characters Dogs, cats and Rabbits: 9.4.6

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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I support a ban on retail sales of dogs, cats and rabbits



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First name [required] Debbie

Last name [required] Nelson

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[required] - max 75 characters 9.4.6 MEOW supports - Notice of Motion re Dogs, Cats, Rabbits, RPO review

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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First name [required] **Amber**

Last name [required] **Horton**

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First name [required] Kim

Last name [required] Kerr

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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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It is irresponsible to sell live animals in pet stores, unless from a shelter or rescue organization. Please follow the lead of many other major cities in Canada. Our shelters are overloaded and in crisis with many surrendered and stray animals.



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Last name [required] Burton

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Shelters and rescues are overwhelmed with unwanted and stray animals. All stores should be mandated to sell only animals from these organizations given the situation in our city.

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First name [required] **Heather**

Last name [required] **Hulkenberg**

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[required] - max 75 characters **Limiting animal sales**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**



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As a member of the community who fosters rabbits who have been dumped, stray dogs and cats; I would implore the city to bring in tighter regulations with regards to animal sales. While I believe stopping pet stores from selling is a good beginning; I believe that ALL private sales (except rescues) should not be legal. The more restrictions that can be put into place....the better. It is going to take a long time to get our animal populations under control and people find it far too easy to release animals to fend for themselves. They are a public health hazard once released and are left with a life of unnecessary suffering. It is a privilege to own an animal.....it should not be a "right".



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Last name [required] Usher

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The population of rabbits in Calgary and surrounding area is out of control and, I suspect, is mainly due to the sale of rabbits as pets. Once people find out how much work and expense is involved in the care of such pets, they discard them, typically into the wild.

No animal should be bought or sold. Shelters are at capacity, as it is. People should only be allowed to foster and/or adopt dogs and cats. Rabbits and other such wild animals should not be available as pets.



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Last name [required] Mensen-Ward

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[required] - max 75 characters 9.4.6 Notice of Motion Dogs, Cat and Rabbits. Responsible pet sales

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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I am in favour of banning the sale of Dogs, cats, rabbits at any age from Pet stores in Calgary. There is an over abundance of animals in shelters across our province, and the municipality should stop pet stores from selling these pets. I do not speak of responsible breeders but specifically pet stores selling animals, and this could be extended to reptiles, snakes, birds and rodents. Pet stores should support the rehoming of animals and not adding to their over population. The problem is wider spread than just Dogs, Cats and Rabbits. Tropical Birds, Reptiles, Snakes and rodents such as Guinea Pigs do not survive in our climate and are also released into the wild where they may suffer hunger or injury before they die, due to weather. Banning the sale of Dogs, Cats and Rabbits in pet stores is a good starting point.



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First name [required] Megan

Last name [required] Langille

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Date of meeting [required] Dec 16, 2024

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[required] - max 75 characters Pet Purchasing / Surrendering Calgary

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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In addition to the great items noted in this motion, it should also be considered that there should be rental protections and practices for those with pets similar to British Columbia, Ontario, and Quebec which can result in people being able to remain with their pets longer.



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Last name [required] Bossert

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[required] - max 75 characters Responsible ownership of pets

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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I support shelters



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First name [required] MariLynn

Last name [required] Montgomery

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[required] - max 75 characters EC2024-1336 A Responsible Pet Sales & Ownership Motion

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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Ban sales of cats, dogs, rabbits in retail locations. I would also like to see the ban extended to online websites such as Kijiji.



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First name [required] Sherilyn

Last name [required] Mickler

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[required] - max 75 characters Agenda item 9.4.6: Dogs Cats and Rabbits

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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I am in support of legislation banning the sale of dogs, cats, and rabbits in retail stores. I would also be in favour of banning the breeding for sale of dogs, cats, and rabbits without a permit or license to do so in order to manage backyard breeding and overpopulation crisis further.



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First name [required] Kristin

Last name [required] Larson

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[required] - max 75 characters Ban of selling animals in stores

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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Having worked with the vulnerable population and housing, as well as myself being a renter and adopting two animals, I understand how hard it is to find housing with one or more animals.

Shelters have been at capacity since covid. As lovely as a pet is, it is not fair to the animals that are getting put down or that cannot be adopted.

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Last name [required] **Nassef**

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[required] - max 75 characters **9.4.6: Dogs, Cats and Rabbits**

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Last name [required] Zimmermann

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[required] - max 75 characters Item 9.4.6: Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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CC 968 (R2024-05)

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I fully support Motion 9.4.6; Sponsored by Councillor Walcott. Banning the sale of cats, dogs, and rabbits can address significant animal welfare concerns while promoting responsible pet ownership. By eliminating the sale of these animals, we can encourage adoption from shelters and rescues, reduce overpopulation, and ensure that all pets find loving, lifelong homes.



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[required] - max 75 characters Council - re dogs, cats and rabbits: a responsible Pet sales and ownersh

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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Especially with the current crisis our shelters and rescues are going through I support banning the retail sale of dogs, cats, and rabbits. I also believe that introducing legislation that provides standards that must be met in order to sell animals (ie. Conditions that must be met to make sure breeding is responsible and help eliminate backyard breeders) will help set us up for long term success on this issue.

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First name [required] **Chloe**

Last name [required] **Cadieux**

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[required] - max 75 characters **9.4.6**

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In favour of this motion. It is not a radical idea and would only affect limited businesses (I believe there is only one store in town actively retailing dogs at least). Animals purchased from these stores often have health and behavioural issues, so there is an element of public protection here as well. The animal and public protections built into our legislation should at least be on par with other major cities.



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Last name [required] Jaithoo

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[required] - max 75 characters Pets sales

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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We need to maintain the responsible pet sales through rescues and adoptions to prevent the wrong people from profiting off of animal products and suffering. Responsible pet ownership is needed in Calgary.



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Last name [required] **Craven**

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[required] - max 75 characters **EC2024-1336 Meeting: Executive Committee**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**



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Animals protection is essential for health and safety of all involved. Mistreatment and exploitation for profit should be stopped and penalties enforced such as fines closures and legal actions implemented. Mills and impulsive pet acquisition causes potential abandonment and feral population situations. I support the proposition to control this and give humane support to animals and information provided to potential pet owners. It is a responsibility to adopt a pet it is not a right. Animals are vulnerable and not to be treated as toys and discarded when no longer wanted. To lessen the availability for animals to be purchased unethically and potentially abandoned is an excellent prospect and directive to keep standards and practices of animal breeders accountable. Thank you for this opportunity to give voice and support a noble action to protect these beautiful creatures.



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First name [required] Andrea

Last name [required] Brickey

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I am in favour of Councilor Walcott's Notice of Motion to ban the sale of cats, dogs, and rabbits that are not sourced from local shelter or rescue organizations.



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First name [required] Caitlin

Last name [required] Sparks

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[required] - max 75 characters 9.4.6 Notice of Motion - Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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With the fact that animal shelters are currently overcapacity in the City of Calgary, I as a Calgarian support the motion to restrict retail sales of cats, dogs and rabbits and instead promote sourcing these animals from local shelter or rescue organizations.



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First name [required] **Brittany**

Last name [required] **Marlatt**

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[required] - max 75 characters **Item 9.4.6 Dogs, cats, rabbits**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**



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In favour of councillor Walcott's proposal to ban the sale of dogs, cats, and rabbits. Shelters are over capacity due to record level surrenders. Adopt don't shop!



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Last name [required] Gurnett

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I fully support the ban on the sale of cats, dogs, and rabbits in stores across Alberta. Our province faces a significant overpopulation problem, and the sale of these animals in retail stores often fuels unethical breeding practices, including puppy and kitten mills. There is no justification for profiting from the sale of animals when countless cats, dogs, and rabbits in shelters and rescue organizations are desperately in need of loving homes. By adopting from these sources, we not only combat overpopulation but also take a stand against the exploitation and mistreatment of animals for profit. It's time to prioritize animal welfare over commerce and encourage responsible pet ownership through adoption and ethical practices.



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[required] - max 75 characters Limiting Sale of dogs, cats, rabbits

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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Calgary has a rental crises and other factors such as expensive vet fees for basic care that has created hardship for many animal owners. This one step we can do to help mitigate the hardship of owning these pets.



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Thank you City Council for taking the time to bring these important topics to discussion. The animal crises that is affecting many animal shelters and rescues will not stop with a simple retail sales ban. Please take into account all the irresponsible breeders that are continually bringing more animals into this world with ill intentions or to profit from.



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Last name [required] Le

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Last name [required] Harris

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I am not is support of the city of Calgary decreeing who can sell puppies, kittens or other pets. Please focus on infrastructure, safet and other necessities versus spending your time trying to regulate the private sector.



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First name [required]

Brandy

Last name [required]

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Dog, Cat, Rabbit Sales and Responsible Ownership

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required]

In favour



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Comments - please refrain from providing personal information in this field (maximum 2500 characters)

I support the immediate ban of retail sales of any animal in Alberta. Shelters and rescues of all sizes are over capacity, and we have people purchasing cats, dogs, etc instead of adopting. This has many repercussions. One, shelter animals are getting overlooked. Two, people buy pets from irresponsible breeders/sellers who do not vet their clients and animals end up in homes they shouldn't be in, resulting in the contribution to more animals in shelters as people struggle to rehome their pet. This is at the great cost of these poor animals who are treated like a handbag that goes out of style. We need to advocate more for animals so that they can more easily find their forever homes. Enough is enough of retail sales on animals.



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First name [required] Chance

Last name [required] Fisher-Stade

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[required] - max 75 characters Item 9.4.6 Dogs, Cats & Rabbits

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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ATTACHMENT_02_FILENAME

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I support Councillor Walcott's motion to end the sale of cats, dogs and rabbits not sourced from shelters at retail locations and the push to end the practice of 'puppy mills'. Responsible animal breeding is an important issue to me and I think that retail vending of animals enables breeders who prioritize profit over healthy animals and ethical breeding, and give a bad name to responsible breeders who are dedicated to true betterment and preservation of breeds.



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First name [required] Beki

Last name [required] Hunt

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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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I am writing to express my strong support for the proposed ban on the sale of dogs, cats, and rabbits in pet stores within our city. This measure is a critical step toward addressing animal welfare concerns and reducing the strain on local shelters. Below, I outline the key reasons why this policy is both necessary and beneficial for our community.

1. Shelters Are Overburdened with Unwanted Animals

Animal shelters are operating at or beyond capacity, with countless dogs, cats, and rabbits waiting for adoption. Pet stores can help by partnering with local shelters and charities to showcase adoptable animals rather than selling those from commercial breeders. Cities like Los Angeles, Taipei and Toronto have successfully implemented this model, increasing adoption rates and benefiting animals and communities alike.

2. The Inhumane Practices of Puppy Mills

Many animals sold in pet stores come from puppy mills—large-scale breeding operations that prioritize profit over welfare. These facilities subject animals to overcrowded and unsanitary conditions, inadequate medical care, and chronic stress. As the co-founder and former Deputy Director of the Taiwan SPCA, I witnessed firsthand the horrors of puppy mills during investigations. These facilities are horrendous places that leave breeding dogs—particularly females—with severe health and emotional issues due to relentless overbreeding and neglect. Banning sales in pet stores reduces demand for such unethical operations and encourages more humane breeding and adoption practices.

3. Reducing Impulse Purchases and Promoting Responsible Pet Ownership

Animals sold in pet stores are often purchased on impulse by individuals unprepared for the long-term responsibilities of ownership. Many end up surrendered to shelters or abandoned. Adoption from a shelter typically involves a thoughtful process, ensuring compatibility between the pet and adopter. This fosters responsible ownership and reduces the likelihood of mismatched placements. In contrast, pet stores rarely provide such guidance, increasing the risk of surrender.

The proposed ban on the sale of dogs, cats, and rabbits in pet stores is a compassionate and pragmatic policy that addresses animal overpopulation, reduces demand for unethical breeding, and promotes responsible pet ownership. By supporting this initiative, you will take a meaningful step toward a more humane and sustainable approach to animal welfare in our city.



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First name [required] Delaina

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[required] - max 75 characters 9.4.6: Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits !

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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I agree that the retail sales of animals has no space in the city of Calgary. Places still selling pets like "the top dog store" source their animals from puppy mills and then sell them for over \$2,000 (I've heard as high as \$5,000). It is not ethical to allow inhumane animal breeding practices to profit. People like Tyler Marshall in 2018 had 131 dogs seized and there is no doubt he is still operating today and funnelling animals into retail spaces. we must continue to take action for those who cannot. Being a pet owner is a huge commitment. Being able to walk into a store and get a dog send the opposite message.



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First name [required] Yvonne

Last name [required] Uttley

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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



Public Submission

CC 968 (R2024-05)

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Please ban the sale of animals in stores and shut down Top Dog!

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First name [required] **Chelsea**

Last name [required] **Niekamp**

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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**



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I strongly approve the ban of sale of cats, dogs, and rabbits that are not sourced directly from a shelter. Calgary is facing a huge animal overpopulation issue and allowing the source of animals for sale from outside of a shelter/rescue environment is only causing this issue to grow beyond control.

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First name [required] Valerie

Last name [required] Walton

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[required] - max 75 characters 9.4.6 Cats, Dogs, Rabbits

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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I strongly support a city ban on selling animals for pets. It is outrageous to support the breeding for sale of these animals while others are languishing in shelters, suffering on the streets, or facing euthanasia. Adoption via shelter should be the primary source for pet cats, dogs and rabbits. Let's care for the animals that are already here. As living creatures they deserve that compassionate stewardship from the City and the people.

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First name [required] **Margit**

Last name [required] **Herbath**

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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**

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Fully support banning pet sales, animal resues are full to the rafters, more needs to be done to prevent overpopulation and neglect

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First name [required] Anmol

Last name [required] Shahid

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[required] - max 75 characters 9.4.6

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Comments: Having raised 5 rescue rabbits who were dumped by people who bought them as easy starter pets sold in pet stores, I can say they need close veterinary care because of their affinity to get GI stasis (a condition where not eating for a few hours can lead to death). Many rabbits die or are neglected because people are not aware of how delicate they are as animals. I oppose the sale of rabbits in pet stores.

Belonging to a family who has welcomed pet cats and a dog into our home (all rescued animals), I have seen first-hand that the sale of cats and dogs is imposing an additional burden on the city's animal rescue organizations and shelters. Many buyers do not understand the long-term commitment needed to care for a cat or dog and end up abandoning their pets. Other buyers are unable to find housing that allows pets and end up surrendering their pets. I oppose the sale of cats, dogs, and rabbits in retail stores.

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First name [required] Abigail

Last name [required] Rotzoll

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[required] - max 75 characters Ban retail sales of ALL animals.

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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First name [required] Juan

Last name [required] Du Toit

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I am in full support of a retail sales BAN and Advocacy to the Government of Alberta. There needs to be serious reform of the bylaws and legislation, to ensure the safety of animals, and support infrastructure put in place for local shelters and rescue organizations.

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First name [required] **Carol**

Last name [required] **Tracey**

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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**



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It is important to prevent impulse buying because many people do not have the required knowledge, or finances, to care for an animal. I applaud Councillor Walcott for bringing this Motion to Council; too many animals are discarded, abandoned, and/or cruelly treated. It would behoove Council to remember Gandhi's famous quote: "The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated."



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First name [required] Serafina

Last name [required] Montefresco-White

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[required] - max 75 characters 9.4.6 Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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As a Calgarian who has worked in both pet stores that sell animals as well as veterinary clinics, I can confidently say I do believe a retail ban on the sales of cats, dogs and rabbits in pet stores along with public education and policy changes/updates would help our current crisis in animal shelters. I have seen firsthand how people would rather adopt a new puppy or kitten from a 'likely' mill environment as opposed to a shelter animal who needs a home, choices are influenced by the novelty and availability associated with these sales. I believe the retail ban along with public education would not only encourage citizens to adopt from shelters but also encourage citizens to truly think through why they are choosing to adopt an animal. We see all too often older animals surrendered in favour of a new puppy/kitten, especially around this time of the year. Given our current housing crisis, people are surrendering pets now more than ever due to a lack of housing choice, lack of availability of pet friendly rentals and financial insecurity. Our shelters are at capacity and the time for change is now. I'm afraid hundreds of animals lives depend on this change as euthanasia may soon be the only other option to get shelters back to a functioning capacity due to the lack of space, lack of adopters and lack of fosters exacerbated by our housing and economic crisis' here in Alberta.

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First name [required] **Emily**

Last name [required] **Byrne**

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[required] - max 75 characters **9.4.6**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**

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I am a strong advocate for banning the for profit sale of pets in retail stores & think responsible pet sales should be left to the organizations that are educated and equipped to do so.

I would also like a review of bylaws which could include fining people for dumped pets, banning people who surrender pets from adopting new pets, subsidizing exotic pet neuter and spay surgeries to curb the population of dumped pets.



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First name [required] Claire

Last name [required] Wallace

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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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Support a ban on retail sales of cats, dogs and rabbits.



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First name [required] Kirby

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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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The enactment of notice of motion - item 9.4.6 would have the following important impacts

Reduction in Overpopulation: Banning commercial pet sales helps reduce the surplus of animals being bred, alleviating pressure on animal rescue organizations to manage a constant influx of pets.

Improved Animal Welfare: Commercial breeding operations often subject animals to poor conditions. A ban reduces the demand for such practices, improving the overall welfare of pets by supporting ethical treatment.

Encouragement of Adoption: With commercial pet sales banned, more people turn to shelters and rescues for adoption, helping to find homes for the many animals already in need of a second chance.

Better Education and Awareness: The ban promotes responsible pet ownership and educates the public on the importance of adoption, spaying, neutering, and proper care, fostering a more conscientious approach to owning pets.

Resource Allocation for Rescues: Fewer pets in need of rescue allows animal organizations to allocate their resources more effectively, focusing on rehabilitation, medical care, and finding homes for pets in need.

Support for Shelter Operations: Banning commercial sales enables shelters to work more efficiently, helping to reduce overcrowding and improve the quality of care for animals awaiting adoption.

Retailers profiting from the sale of animals are doing so at the expense of animal welfare.



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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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Retail shops sales ban
Ban backyard breeders, legit breeders are okay
Tougher penalties on free roaming cats



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Last name [required] Roberts

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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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I am strongly in favour of a ban on the sales of pets (dogs, cats, rabbits) from any breeder, in a retail setting. Too many animals are harmed by this practice. I believe that local rescues have more than enough animals that need a good home, and these animals deserve to be seen through partnerships with stores. Rescues ensure that animals in their care are well looked-after, and receive excellent veterinary care before being made available.



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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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This is a great initiative to control the sale of dogs, cats and rabbits in the city and to ensure that will directly help with controlling the population growth of these animals. Moreover, it will indirectly help with ensuring improvement in the lives of animals that are used for "mill" breeding as the sale of these "mill" breed dogs will be monitored closely by city authorities and animal welfare board. It will also help reduce the animals that are left unattended at animal shelters by owners when they are unable to keep them / don't want to keep them.



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First name [required] Natasha

Last name [required] Zinke

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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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CC 968 (R2024-05)

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This movement is an excellent opportunity to relieve some of the stresses that animal rescues and shelters are faced with in light of increased rates of surrender in Calgary. I support the critical assessment of where dogs, cats, and rabbits can be attained with considerations to animal welfare and responsible sourcing of animals.



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First name [required] Maureen

Last name [required] McCormick

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First name [required] Nancy

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I work as a volunteer in rescue. We are overwhelmed and unable to even remotely keep up with the number of animals needing help. After 30 years of involvement in animal rescue, this is the worse I have seen. If Calgary is indeed a city looking to the future, this issue must be addressed.



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First name [required] Michelle

Last name [required] Krom

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I have been in rescue for over 5 years and have never seen it as bad as it is now with animals being surrendered. Much of this comes from people buying animals from pet stores on a whim and then surrendering them later on. It also comes from mills either shutting down, or releasing many of the animals when they can no longer provide a service. This means we cannot take in the needed animals because rescues are full. Please stop the ability to buy these animals on a whim when someone enters a pet store.



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First name [required] Amy

Last name [required] Stewart

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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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As a property manager I receive requests every year at Christmas to add a new puppy or kitten to someone's lease. And every year, within weeks of Christmas, I receive ALMOST AN EQUAL number of requests to have the animal removed from the lease as 'things just didn't work out'. Every year. After 13 years of watching this happen I have come to the conclusion that people LOVE puppies, kittens and baby animals in general and the 'idea' of a pet but they have no grasp of the level of commitment and work it takes to actually care for that animal long term. Shelters and pet fostering/adoption agencies sole focus is preparing prospective owners and care givers so that the return of animals is low or nonexistent. We need to put our shoulders behind these organizations and ban the sale of animals in retail stores. It is what is best for not only the animals but the owners as well.



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My family is actively fostering kittens, and just within the past 5 months we fostered thirteen! Cat families are trapped and rescued by Calgary shelters and the stories we learn are heartbreaking. This motion could help so many pets not end up in Calgary streets and shelters.



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First name [required] Rie
Last name [required] Yamashita

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[required] - max 75 characters 9.4.6 Ban the sale of rabbits, enforce more responsible ownership

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] Neither



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Some individuals purchase rabbits and then abandon them outside. It is crucial that people are better educated about pet ownership before they decide to adopt. I support rescued bunny when I can for Wildrose Rabbit Rescue and it breaks my hear to see so many abandand rabbits or owner not taking responsibility to take care of them. I urge you to enforce stricter regulations to promote more responsible ownership. Thank you for reading this.

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[required] - max 75 characters **Animal welfare**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**



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I believe that council should understand that there are a multitude of animals that need homes. The work that Calgary humane, meow, and others is imperative to the lives of these animals.

I adopted my cat through Calgary humane and it was the best decision I have ever done. He is my support and best friend. I don't believe that animals should be placed in conditions like a puppy mill. I believe that animals have rights like humans and deserve to be taken care of to the best of their abilities. I stand with meow and others.

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[required] - max 75 characters 9.4.6 Notice of Motion - Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits! A Responsible Pet Sales a

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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As a pet owner in Calgary, I am in support of this motion to report on the status of pets for sale in Calgary. I have adopted all of my pets through reputable shelters / agencies in Calgary and am saddened by the number of animals continually showing up as surrendered, or neglected, due to various reasons. Dogs, cats and rabbits are not goods to be sold - they are living creatures that deserve dignity, respect and responsible care for the duration of their lives. Pet stores that still sell animals are outdated, cruel, and shoulder none of the burden of the lifelong care of the animals they are profiting from.



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[required] - max 75 characters Item 9.4.6: Dogs, Cats, Rabbits

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Thank you, Councillor Walcott, for sponsoring this hugely important, timely, and responsible Notice of Motion. As someone who has called Calgary home for nearly her entire life, I strongly and whole-heartedly support the Responsible Pet Sales and Ownership review. Allowing the sale of pets not sourced from local shelters and rescue organisations (herein referred to as “rescues”) supports an increased use of puppy mills and other horrific inhumane methods of breeding (herein referred to as “mills”).

Animals in mills are kept in cramped, unsanitary, and unsafe conditions. They may not ever see the light of day, or, they may be left permanently outside without any protection from the sun, elements, and even extreme weather. These animals often end up sick, and/or have genetic problems due to the horrific conditions and excessive breeding. These animals are bred from as young as biologically possible until their bodies literally cannot physically bear anymore. The health, safety, and livelihood of the animals are of no concern to the people breeding them. The singular goal is to breed as many animals as possible in order to create as high a profit as possible.

In today's world, there is simply no reason for this practice to continue. Rescues are overwhelmed with animals ready for adoption. Rescues are fully capable of meeting the demand within our city for animals of all ages – without the use of mills. This includes young puppies, kittens, and other infant/juvenile animals.

Animals from rescues are cared for, medically examined, and socialised. Because rescues know the personalities of the animals under their care, they work toward finding a good match between each animal and potential adopter, which leads to better long-term outcomes. In addition, because rescues are not driven by profit, they are not incentivised to sell animals at whatever cost, especially not at the animals' expense. Workers and volunteers screen and interview applicants to ensure a good match with a person who is physically, financially, and emotionally ready to adopt the animal.

In contrast, any person can walk into a pet store and buy an animal on the spot. This increases the likelihood of people being unprepared and/or a poor match for the animal, which in turns increases the likelihood of the animal being abandoned or surrendered in the future. This increases the already extremely high burden on rescues.

With the high cost of living, which is only likely to raise even more, the sale of animals in stores will increase the amount of pets that will be abandoned and surrendered in the future. Given Alberta does not have any tenant protections for individuals who are renting with animals, more and more people will be struggling to find and afford rentals that allow pets. Again, preventing stores from selling animals from mills will decrease the amount of pets who will eventually end up unwanted, and/or unaffordable.

On both sides of this problem, I can speak from personal experience. My family bought a puppy from Petland over 20 years ago, well before we even knew of the existence of puppy mills. Our dog had chronic health issues and was allergic to most foods, which meant we had to make his food at home from scratch using extremely

limited ingredients. Although we thankfully had had family discussions about everyone wanting and being prepared for a puppy equally, and had thoroughly considered the financial realities of owning a puppy, none of this was known to Petland. For all that Petland knew, and cared to know, we could have randomly walked off the street with no knowledge of how to care for a pet nor the ability to afford one. We provided our dog with a happy, healthy home and loved him dearly, but we never would have made the choice to buy him from a pet store had we known the realities of what he and his siblings came from, much less what his mother and father were put through.

Since then, we have adopted a dog from the Animal Rescue Foundation (ARF), a cat from the Calgary Humane Society (CHS), and a cat from the Alberta Animal Rescue Crew Society (AARCS). All animals were adopted as infants or juveniles (at or under 6 months of age), and had previously received care and medical attention from the rescue. The application and interview processes with each organisation were of an appropriate length and depth. The processes were appropriately detailed without being arduous or tedious, and in no way presented a barrier to us as applicants.

Furthermore, I have provided a foster home for several cats here in Calgary in recent years. I am personally familiar with all the care, attention, medical support, and diligence that goes into homing animals through a rescue. There are several safeguards in place that prevent animals being placed with individuals who are irresponsible, underprepared or unprepared, or potentially unsafe.

Pet stores that use animals from breeding mills have no such safeguards in place – in fact, it is not in their best interest to have any safeguards at all. After all, the more animals purchased means profit for them. Animals that are surrendered or abandoned will not return to the pet store – they are surrendered to rescues, thrown out onto the streets, driven out into rural areas and abandoned, or even worse. The pet stores that support mills, and the people who run the mills, will never be the ones who pay for the consequences of their own actions.

It is also important to note that pet stores are not in danger of financial ruin or jeopardy by banning the use of mills. Several pet stores have already stopped selling puppies, kittens, and other animals due the harmful and cruel nature of this practice. Instead, these stores now partner with local rescues to showcase pets available for adoption. This is a reasonable, sustainable, and humane alternative that provides the best outcomes for the animals, the future owners, and the stores.

I sincerely implore the Council to take heed of what is best for Calgarians and the animals we house, both in our homes as individuals and within our city as a whole. Local rescues are more than capable of meeting the demand for pets while also – crucially – ensuring each animal's every need is met. The continued permittance of mills for the sake of breeding pets is disgusting, inhumane, and cruel, and has no place in our lovely city. Please follow in the footsteps of other cities in Canada who have already taken steps to ban or reduce the use of mills.

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Last name [required] Gillies

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[required] - max 75 characters 9.4.6 dogs, cats, and rabbits

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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I am writing to express my strong support for motion item 9.4.6.

This motion is a critical step toward addressing the growing crisis' of animals currently in shelters and rescues, unsafe breeding practices, and animals being released in the public creating feral populations.

Animal shelters and rescues in Calgary are at or near capacity, with countless animals waiting for their forever homes. Many of these animals are abandoned or surrendered, often through no fault of their own. By prohibiting the retail sale of dogs, cats, and rabbits, we can encourage prospective pet owners to adopt animals from shelters or reputable rescues, helping to alleviate the burden on these overextended organizations.

The sale of pets in retail environments often supports unethical and unsafe breeding practices, such as puppy and kitten mills. These operations prioritize profit over animal welfare, subjecting animals to inhumane conditions and inadequate veterinary care. Prohibiting the retail sale of pets sends a clear message that Calgary values responsible and ethical animal care.

Furthermore, the current housing crisis has led to an increase in pet surrenders, as individuals and families are forced to make heartbreaking decisions when faced with financial hardships or housing restrictions. By reducing the impulsive purchase of pets from retail stores, we can help ensure that individuals who bring animals into their homes are fully prepared for the lifelong commitment required to care for them.

This motion is an opportunity for Calgary to lead by example, demonstrating compassion and a commitment to responsible pet ownership. I urge you to vote in favor of motion item 9.4.6 and to continue supporting initiatives that promote the welfare of animals in our community.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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First name [required] **Liam**

Last name [required] **Yau**

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[required] - max 75 characters **Item 9.4.6: Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits!**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**



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Having lived in Calgary all my life, and owned cats and dogs the entire time. I believe this motion would greatly benefit the city and the animal populations within. I regularly volunteer with one of the rescues in town, and we are continually at and over capacity while trying to act in the best interests of the animals, while pet stores like top dog utilize shady practices and unethical breeders to generate a profit, continually adding to the ever growing problem of animal overpopulation. I am strongly in favour of this motion, as a private citizen and as a volunteer.

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First name [required] Jennifer

Last name [required] Mann

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[required] - max 75 characters Dog, cat & rabbit sales

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] Neither



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Calgary, like many other cities right now, is in a dire acrisis when it comes to pet animal rescues.

An industry that relies on volunteers and donations is doing more work for less money than ever before. And while they are drowning, in this current over-population crisis, other industries are adding fuel to the fire by breeding pets.

I have witnessed in other countries that a ban on breeding is put in place until the shelters and rescues are near empty. For myself, working in rescue for over 20 years in Calgary. I can see that something along that approach is what we desperately need. Volunteers are housing animals, way beyond capacity and depleting their own funds, sometimes even going into debt because there are no other options for these over populations. It is devastating and heartbreaking and help is desperately needed. Having pet purchases only go only through rescues and shelters would make our city a leader in the pet rescue industry and would set a positive example for other cities to follow.

All of these thousands of animals need a lifeline as do the people who have dedicated their lives to being the ones who help.

If you have the power to be a hero to those in need right now, please step up and make the right choice.

Thank you
Jennifer Mann



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Calgary should ban the sale of any animal at pet stores. Our animal shelters & rescues are overflowing with pets that need a home, and any pet store should be partnering with a rescue to ensure every animal finds a forever home. Continuing to sell animals via pet stores encourages puppy mills and other backyard breeders, resulting in horrific animal abuse and overflowing shelters. Calgary is a major city in Canada, and we should be catching up to cities like Vancouver and ban the sale of animals for profit in pet stores.

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[required] - max 75 characters **9.4.6 banning sale of pets- please continue with this ban**

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While shelters remain overflowing and rescues are struggling to find homes for their foundlings there is no place in a civil society to support puppy mills which are the supplier of pet shops. The practice of selling pets from a shop perpetuates the abuse of animals because of the unethical practices followed by the disreputable breeders who supply these pets. Please maintain the ban- the animal shelters and rescues need our support- businesses that buy and sell pets for profit have no place in an informed society.

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Last name [required] **Alexander**

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[required] - max 75 characters **Responsible Pet Sales**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**



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Pet ownership is a commitment that needs informed consent and ethical boundaries for all parties and I support the effort to eradicate mass breeding and sales of particularly small exotic animals, like rabbits or Guinea pigs. The care and attention needed for such animals is misrepresented to buyers as starter pets that are good for kids, and this is not helpful for the animals or humans who adopt them. The vet care needed is specialized and delicate, needing an exotics only vet, which most people don't expect. I adopted a Guinea pig in 2021, and unfortunately lost him to severe tooth disease only a year later, and he was a very special animal to have known while I did. His name was Dr. Tam, and him and all other fuzzy family members deserve good and dignified lives with families who can support their needs and care.



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[required] - max 75 characters Notice of Motion: Dogs, Cats, Rabbits responsible pet sales and ownership

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In opposition



Public Submission

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Many Pet stores today adopt out cats and dogs from shelters.pdf

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Many Pet stores today adopt out cats and dogs from shelters. Still there are a few that do not. These Pet stores BUY from BREEDERS.

Every baby born is a descendant of a breeder.

Spay/neuter programs, along with low income support for pets has made a huge difference in past years. There are several programs, including registrations and bylaws that have helped keep cats and dogs off the street, healthy and under control. But there are no controls for pets leaving pet stores. There is also no control for bunnies.

Breeders do not spay or neuter their animals before turning them over to unsuspecting families and pet stores that buy them, keeping unethical breeders in business. Many times, these animals are sick, and wrongly sexed. They are never de-sexed (fixed).

Shelters and rescues do not allow a pet to be adopted without being fixed, its just responsible pet ownership.

My focus is bunnies. There is no spay neuter programs for bunnies after they are brought home, and it is extremely costly.

When a family goes to a pet store to purchase a bunny, they are told it's better to have them in pairs. Which is usually true.

I can not even count the times I have heard the same sad story... "I bought 2 female bunnies and woke up and there was a litter of Bunnies!" They instantly separate the parents, but by then its too late. 30 days later there is yet another litter.

Suddenly there is 2 brand new litters that need to find homes.

Shelters are bursting with bunnies. There is no shelter that is able to take these bunnies. They have been unable to take bunnies for several months, sometimes years. So owners just "set them free". It costs between \$300-\$600 to get a bunny fixed. Many times it is easier to release them into the city. There are no consequences either. People somehow believe that it is humane to set animals free.

Setting them free is a torturous life and death for a domestic bunny, bred for love and companionship, They do not have the capacity to fend for themselves outside,

they have specific diets that need to be followed religiously, and they will not find good food outdoors. Bunnies are pets, just like dogs and cats.

Im sure someone will mention RHD, that wiped out the bunny population in 2022. Just one more torture for pets to endure outside. Citizens and children ultimately found all the bodies. Bunnies covered with blood. Very traumatic for everyone, not to mention the suffering bunny. RHD is extremely contagious. If a citizen finds a bunny dead from this disease, how can they then keep their own bunny safe? It's a death sentence. It can't be washed off.

Bunnies from shelters are vaccinated against this horrible disease, spayed and neutered before being placed into a loving home, destined to live over 8 years in a warm, safe, loving home. If pet stores stopped buying from breeders, and sold bunnies responsibly, these problems would diminish.

Since the stray bunny population was wiped out, a few have been "set free" in neighbourhoods, and we are starting over, with colonies inevitably forming. Our hands are tied, but we see the writing on the wall. We know how bad this can, and WILL become.

Since all the shelters are full, we can't catch any more strays. There is nowhere to take them. Vets have told us to leave them or to bring them back to where we found them. One vet said "You can bring it back to where you found it, or leave him here and we can euthanize it for you". How traumatic for an animal lover trying to save a life. But this is the reality we are facing with now. We know a stray never dies peacefully, never of old age.

Every baby bunny born in the city is a descendent of a breeder. I know you know the reputations of breeders, and IM sure you will hear more today. When pet stores buy from breeders, which should be banned, they are adding to the problem. Pet stores are the main problem.

A female Bunny can have a litter with anywhere from 1-14 babies. Its not an exact science, so lets generalise. If one doe has litters of 6 each pregnancy (which is very conservative, since they have the ability to carry 2 separate litters at once), that's 6 babies that now need to find homes.

72 babies a year sound realistic to you? If you know that a domestic bunny does not have a heat cycle, and can get pregnant immediately after having a litter, you'll begin to understand how the city can easily and quickly become overrun with bunnies.

Our hands are now tied. We cant catch them anymore. We can't save them. We have to leave them outside to suffer because there is nowhere to go. No one can save them. Although I have tried, We can't turn them in to pet stores, because they "only buy from breeders". These pet store bunnies are the ones that end up on the streets.

Oct 30, I messaged 1 councillor, because I was headed out to one of his neighbourhoods to catch 4 dumped bunnies. I had to secure a foster for them before attempting to secure them. We only caught 3 that day.

When I got there, I accidentally spoke to the actual family they all came from. They were not educated. They bought 5 bunnies from a pet store, and one died. They didn't know what was wrong with it, so they set the rest free, to try to save the rest, and keep their human family safe.

Since January 2024, several communities have experienced bunnies being dumped.

IN No particular order...

Abbydale,

Mackenzie town

Prestwick

Dalhousie

Varsity

Arbour Lake

Seton

Scenic acres

Signal hill

Forest lawn

Beddington (Berwick?)

Saddleridge

Mahogany

Martindale

Coventry hills

Dalhousie

Copperfield

Oakridge

Marlbrough

Taradale

Monterey park

This is not a complete list. This is MY list. Posts I have seen, people asking for my help or telling me. If you need proof, I can produce it.

Many times, bunnies are not reported, because it was a regular scene prior to 2022.

My goal is to always reunite a loved pet with their parents.

1 time. Of all the bunnies outside since January, 1 2024, ONE owner was anxiously hoping to get her bunny back.

These are dumped pets.

There have been towns In Alberta and BC that have a bunny population that has outgrown the human population.

In Australia, of all places, the bunny population got so bad, they considered introducing RHD into the population to cull them.

IN Calgary, when RHD began to circulate, bunny parents would bring home this terrible disease to their own bunnies, on their shoes. It cant be washed off effectively. Loved and wanted pets died, because of irresponsible pet ownership. Irresponsible selling practices.

Pet stores. Breeders.

You will hear how pet stores keep bunnies and other pets in inhumane conditions, because space is limited. So is education. There is an abundance of these stories, that I agree with, but I will skip, to underline the lesser known problems.

Right now, there is nothing we can do to control this. Tragically, You will see. In a year, bunny populations, colonies will explode. With it, dead bodies will be abundant. Rescuers can't help, because shelters can't help. Councillors will see it in their neighbourhoods.

I am asking that every time you hear of an abandoned bunny in your ward, please remember my words. Remember our plea.

Breeders need to stop. They need a reason. Pet stores need to stop selling bred bunnies.

Thank you.



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[required] - max 75 characters 9.4.6 - Dogs/cats/Rabbit ban for sale - Councillor Walcott - I'm in favour

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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All animals sold in retail outlets should be provided from local shelters/ rescues/ pounds. NOT from breeders / unscrupulous back yard breeders



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[required] - max 75 characters EC2024-1336 Notice of motion pet sales and ownership

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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Alberta shelters and rescues are OVER capacity. They reached capacity once COVID ended.

More support and education need to be given to potential pet owners. More support and financial/tax breaks need to be given to shelters, rescues and vets. Animal care has to become affordable again.



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First name [required] Natasha

Last name [required] Pierce

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[required] - max 75 characters banning the sale of dogs, cats, and rabbits within the city.

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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[required] - max 75 characters Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits! A Responsible Pet Sales and Ownership Review

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I support a retail sales ban on pets.



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[required] - max 75 characters 9.4.6 - Notice of Motion - Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits! A Responsible Pet Sales

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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Please vote in favour of this motion to take the strain off of charities, prevent animal neglect and encourage responsible pet ownership.

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First name [required] **Linda**

Last name [required] **Bergman**

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[required] - max 75 characters **banning the sale of dogs, cats, rabbits within city limits**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**



Public Submission

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I am in support of the Calgary Humane Society's position to ban the sale of dogs, cats and rabbits within the Calgary city limits.



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[required] - max 75 characters Banning the Sale of Pets within the City Limits

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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Let the Humane Society be one of the sole organizations to sell pets in the city limits. Too many sellers do not practice responsible ownership.



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[required] - max 75 characters Ban on sale of pets in city limits

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Last name [required] **Camarta**

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[required] - max 75 characters **Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits! A Responsible Pet Sales and Ownership Review**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**



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Today you decide on an important motion: Banning the sale of dogs, cats, and rabbits within the city.

By banning the retail sale of these animals, you can take a crucial step toward ending pet overpopulation and promoting responsible pet sourcing citywide. This decision would not only relieve the burden on organizations like the Calgary Humane Society, but it would also help protect countless animals from neglect and abandonment.

I support this vital motion.



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What agenda item do you wish to comment on? (Refer to the Council or Committee agenda published [here](#).)

[required] - max 75 characters banning the sale of dogs, cats, and rabbits within the city.

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



Public Submission

CC 968 (R2024-05)

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I fully support this ban as we are the animal's voice and need to help these animals out by controlling the selling of them. My only hope is surrounding areas follow suit otherwise the sellers may go underground or outside city limits to do this.



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First name [required] Heather

Last name [required] Atkinson

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[required] - max 75 characters Banning sale of animals in the city

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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Good afternoon,

I am in favour of banning the sale of cats, dogs, and rabbits within the city.

I volunteer at the City of Calgary Animal Services and see a small portion of the neglect and surrender of these animals. We can do better and I am in support of this passing.

Thank you,

Heather



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First name [required] Gloria
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[required] - max 75 characters I would support banning the sale of dogs, cats, rabbits in Calgary.

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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I have adopted twice, pure breed dogs that other people bought from kennels and could not take care of them. They ended up in the Humane Society. Please, do not encourage breeding animals when we have so many pets looking for a home. Help making Calgary more Humane.



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First name [required] Elizabeth

Last name [required] Burton

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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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Voicing my support for the ban.