

**CITY OF WARRENSBURG**  
**POLICE DEPARTMENT**

March 8, 2021

Honorable Mayor and  
Members of the City Council  
City of Warrensburg, Missouri

Dear Mayor and Council Members:

**SUBJECT:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 5 of the Ordinances of Warrensburg Missouri

**BACKGROUND:**

This is an ordinance Amending sections of Chapter 5 of the City Ordinances after the transfer of the Animal Shelter to the Warrensburg Area Rescue (WAR). The sections of Chapter 5 not amended with this ordinance remain in full effect.

**ISSUE:**

With the transfer of the Animal Shelter and animal control responsibilities to the Warrensburg Animal Rescue, it became necessary to update sections of Chapter 5 to align with the current practice more closely. Many of the changes involve name changes and minor procedural issues. With the elimination of the animal control officer provided by the city, the process now requires a police officer response to evaluate the situation. A police officer is required any time there is a seizure of an animal because of a bite or a crime.

**STRATEGIC PLAN:**

This meets Goal III of the Strategic Plan to maintain a safe community.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact.

**ECONOMIC BENEFITS/IMPACT:**

There is no economic benefit or impact.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends City Council approval of the Ordinance.

Sincerely,

Rich Lockhart  
Chief of Police

cc: Interim City Manager

Attachments: 1. Ordinance