



City of Benbrook

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

DATE: 12/05/19	REFERENCE NUMBER: G-2446	SUBJECT: Amending Title 6 – Animals to establish regulations pertaining to dog fecal matter removal	PAGE: 1 of 1
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Pursuant to a recent City Council work session, the proposed Ordinance requires a person who owns or has custody of a dog to remove their dog’s feces from public property or private property not owned or possessed by the owner or custodian of the dog.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) estimates that a single gram of dog waste contains as much as 23 million fecal coliform bacteria, including Escherichia coli (E. coli) which can cause a range of illnesses to the general public. Dog waste can also contain harmful parasites such as hookworms, roundworms, tapeworms and protozoa.

The Ordinance establishes an exception for a visually-impaired person with a guide dog.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the Ordinance amending Title 6 – Animals of the Benbrook Municipal Code to establish regulations pertaining to dog fecal matter removal.

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CITY MANAGER		DATE: