

### 6.02.120 Prohibition on retail sale of dogs and cats.

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A. No commercial animal establishment shall display, sell, deliver, offer for sale, barter, auction, give away, or otherwise transfer or dispose of dogs or cats in the city on or after the effective date of the ordinance codified in this section.

B. This section shall not apply to:

1. A commercial animal rescue shop that offers dogs or cats for an adoption fee;
2. A publicly operated animal control facility or animal shelter;
3. A private, charitable, nonprofit humane society or animal rescue organization; or
4. A publicly operated animal control agency, nonprofit humane society, or nonprofit animal rescue organization that operates out of or in connection with a pet shop.

C. Nothing in this section shall prevent a pet shop or its owner, operator or employees from providing space and appropriate care for animals owned by a publicly operated animal control agency, nonprofit humane society, or nonprofit animal rescue agency and maintained at the pet shop for the purpose of adopting those animals to the public.

D. A pet shop or its owner who provides space to a publicly operated animal control agency, nonprofit humane society, or nonprofit animal rescue agency for the purpose of adopting animals to the public shall ensure that the publicly operated animal control agency, nonprofit humane society, or nonprofit animal rescue agency complies with the requirements of [AVMC 6.02.110](#) and all state laws pertaining to the health and safety of animals. [Ord. 2012-142 § 6; Ord. 2010-126 § 1 (Exh. A); Ord. 2009-108 § 1 (4-1-12)].

**Cross-reference:** business license required, [AVMC 6.04.460](#).