Prohibition on the sale of dogs and cats.

The Fraser city council finds that the retail sale of dogs and cats in pet stores in the City of Fraser is inconsistent with the city’s goal to be “one community” that is concerned about companion animal welfare.

The city council believes that a ban on the retail sale of dogs and cats in pet stores in the city will also encourage pet consumers to adopt dogs and cats from local shelters and rescues, thereby saving the lives of animals and reducing the cost to the public of sheltering animals.

1. No pet shop of pet dealer shall display, sell, deliver, offer for sale, barter, auction, give away, broker or otherwise transfer or dispose of a dog or cat except for a dog or cat obtained from: 1. An Animal Shelter; 2. A private nonprofit humane society or nonprofit animal rescue organization; or 3. An animal shelter, nonprofit humane society or nonprofit animal rescue organization that operates out of or in connection with a pet shop.

2. All pet shops and dealers shall maintain records, for a period of one year from the date of acquisition, listing the source of all dogs and cats under their ownership, custody or control. Records shall be immediately available, upon request, to law enforcement, the animal control supervisor employed by the city of Fraser, code compliance officials, and any other city employees charged with enforcing the provisions of this section.

3. This section does not apply to: 1. A person or establishment, other than a pet shop or pet dealer, which displays, sells, delivers, offers for sale, barters, auctions, gives away, brokers or otherwise transfers or disposes of only dogs and cats that were bred and reared on the premises of the person or establishment; 2. An Animal Shelter; 3. A private, nonprofit humane society or nonprofit animal rescue organization; 4. An animal shelter, nonprofit humane society or nonprofit animal rescue organization that operates out of or in connection with a pet shop.

4. Nothing in this section shall prevent a pet shop or pet dealer from providing space and appropriate care for animals owned by an animal shelter, nonprofit humane society or nonprofit animal rescue agency that operates out of or in connection with a pet shop.

5. Nothing in this ordinance will affect reputable, licensed breeders that may reside in Fraser from breeding and or selling their dogs from their home.