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MEMORANDUM

To: Mayfield Village Council
From: Mayfield Village Law Department
Date: September 3, 2026
Re: Mayfield Village Codified Ordinance Section 505.99

Dear Council:

In 2023, Council adopted revisions to Chapter 505 addressing general offenses related to animals and fowl. Section 505.99 provides for the penalties that can be imposed for violations of the Chapter. A recent situation was brought to my attention regarding the ability to charge for costs of the animal warden, whether or not there is a violation of the chapter, but would involve law enforcement and the animal warden taking control of a dog for an extended period of time. With that and discussion with the administration, we are proposing some revisions to this section to address the circumstance. The revisions will allow the Village to first attempt collection from the dog owner or property owner for the charges the Village incurred by the animal warden, and then if unable to collect, as the section already reads, place those charges on the dog owner/property owner's real estate tax duplicate for collection to the Village. A copy of the section as proposed to be revised is attached to this memo.

505.99 PENALTY.

Whoever violates any provision of this chapter for which a penalty is not otherwise provided shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree. In addition to any other fines or costs imposed under this Chapter, an Animal Owner/Property Owner shall be responsible for the payment of all costs incurred by the Village, including but not limited to costs incurred by the Village for boarding an Animal, to the Animal Warden, whether or not the costs incurred by the Village resulted directly or indirectly~~ing~~ from a violation of this Chapter or a violation of another Chapter of the Village's Code. If not paid, the amount thereof may be certified by the Finance Director to the County Auditor to be assessed as a lien against the Owner's real property with general taxes and assessments.

(Ord. 2023-04. Passed 5-15-23.)