



**CITY OF TEMPE
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

**Council Meeting Date: 1/23/2014
Agenda Item: 5D4**

ACTION: Hold the second and final public hearing to approve an ordinance to amend Chapter 6, Article II, Sections 6-21, 6-32 and 6-49 through 6-53 of the Tempe City Code relating to Animals and Fowl. (Ordinance No. O2014.08)

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Ordinance No. O2014.08.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The ordinance clarifies the definition of abandoned animals, animal cruelty and impoundment. This Ordinance will ensure that the Tempe Police Department has sufficient authorization to deal with abandoned and stray animals, including keeping them for a limited period of time before turning them over to shelters, should the owner not come forward. This is expected to save the City from the expenses incurred in paying for extended care for stray animals. This arises out of the contract for rabies and animal control the City entered into in June 2013.

ATTACHMENTS: Ordinance No. O2014.08.

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