

DOGS AT LARGE ENFORCEMENT

Mover: Judy Hupponen

Seconded: Matthew Shoemaker

WHEREAS the new animal care and control by-law 2018-19 under section 6.1 "Running at Large" states that "no owner shall cause or permit a dog or cat to be at large in the City of Sault Ste. Marie. For the purpose of this by-law the dog or cat shall be deemed to be running at large if it is found in any place other than on the premises of its owner, not on a leash held by any person, not under control of any person"; and

WHEREAS there have been numerous complaints in the past and recently about dogs running at large on the Hub Trail, Bellevue Park and Hiawatha Park to name a few; and

WHEREAS in the past, any complaints regarding dogs running at large were not addressed effectively due to lack of enforcement capabilities by our by-law enforcement officer or the local Humane Society;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT City staff and Humane Society staff be requested to report with options to effectively enforce the running at large provisions of the animal care and control by-law.