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FINANCE

**ORDINANCE**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:**

**SECTION 1.** Section 7-12-050 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

**7-12-050 Dangerous animals – Determination and requirements.**

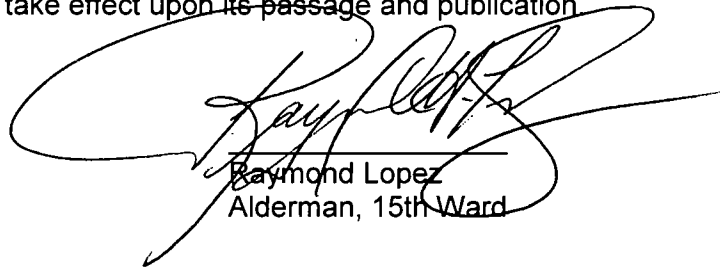
The Executive Director shall have the authority to make a determination that an animal is a dangerous animal, as defined in Section 7-12-020, and to order the owner to comply with any of the measures set forth below for the protection of public health, safety and welfare.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

(f) Where there is probable cause to believe that an animal is a dangerous animal, the Executive Director or his designee is authorized to impound and hold such animal, at the owner's expense, pending the investigation and final resolution of any appeals. Where the animal has caused severe injury or death to any person, the Executive Director or his designee is required to impound and hold such animal, at the owner's expense, pending the investigation and final resolution of any appeals. Moreover, in no event shall a dangerous animal be released to its owner before the owner obtains a dangerous animal license pursuant to section 7-12-052 or before the Executive Director or his designee approves the enclosure required by subsection (c)(1). The holding period and impoundment procedures for animals of unknown ownership shall be governed by Section 7-12-060. Any animal impounded and held pursuant to this subparagraph (f) shall receive humane treatment at all times during the holding period.

*(Omitted text is unaffected by this ordinance)*

**SECTION 2.** This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication

  
Raymond Lopez  
Alderman, 15th Ward