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Dear Mayor and Council members,

I'm emailing to express my support of the proposal to adopt by reference and incorporation Santa Barbara County's animals and fowl code, with the exceptions identified in your staff report.

To state the obvious, it is easier for your contract agency to enforce laws where there is congruence between the City and the County. But beyond that, the County's restricted/vicious dog ordinance is a significant improvement over Goleta's current dangerous dog ordinance. As the staff report indicates, the current code limits the options that the City can pursue to deal with a difficult case. The County's ordinance was carefully developed to provide both flexibility and public safety protection, an important goal for a community that care about animal welfare but also recognizes the need to keep the community safe from truly dangerous ("vicious") dogs.

I appreciate your attention to and support of this issue.

Cheers,

Lee

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