
**SEMINOLE COUNTY GOVERNMENT
AGENDA MEMORANDUM****SUBJECT:** Tag Day 2008**DEPARTMENT:** Public Safety**DIVISION:** Animal Services**AUTHORIZED BY:** Tad Stone**CONTACT:** Tad Stone**EXT:** 5000**MOTION/RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve to sponsor Tag Day 2008 to be held Sunday, May 4, 2008, and authorization to waive the rabies vaccination and animal identification microchip implant fees during this event.

County-wide

Tad Stone

BACKGROUND:

The American Humane Association (AHA) sponsors a nationwide campaign, "Every Day is Tag Day". Seminole County has sponsored this event the past five years and again, Animal Services would like to hold a "Tag Day" event at the shelter on Sunday, May 4, 2008. Holding this event on a Sunday, when the shelter is closed to the public, allows the veterinarian, staff and volunteers to work in an air conditioned building with the facilities to confine animals, if necessary. The goal of the program is to educate and encourage pet owners to microchip or tag their companion animals along with administering rabies vaccinations as part of the Division's rabies control efforts. Activities, that day only, would include free rabies vaccinations for Seminole County residents (limited to five (5) pets per household) and giving away 25 animal identification microchip implants. The veterinarian under contract with Seminole County would administer the rabies vaccinations. Michael J. Napier, Seminole County Health Department Administrator, is working with staff to support this event.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Approve sponsoring "Tag Day" to be held on Sunday, May 4, 2008, and authorization to waive the rabies vaccination and microchip fees during this event.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Health Dept Letter of Support

Additionally Reviewed By: No additional reviews



Charlie Crist
Governor

Ana M. Viamonte Ros, M.D., M.P.H.
State Surgeon General

February 25, 2008

Mary Beth Lake
Manager, Seminole County Animal Control
232 Bush Boulevard
Sanford, FL 32773

Dear Ms. Lake:

Seminole County Health Department extends our support concerning Animal Services Public Awareness Campaign about the benefits of tagging and vaccinating companion animals. The community event, "Tag Day", that you have planned for May 4, 2008 is a great educational opportunity and will certainly enhance the public's awareness of the importance of care to all animal owners.

As Administrator of the Seminole County Health Department, we support and encourage your efforts to educate our citizens and vaccinate their pets.

Please feel free to contact me concerning any issue that I may be able to help you with, and I sincerely hope that this community event is a successful one.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael J. Napier".

Michael J. Napier, M.S.
Administrator
Seminole County Health Department



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