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Subject Fw: Dangerous Dogs

this is what I mentioned.

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Subject Dangerous Dogs

I am following up on our conversation yesterday evening. These are the steps the City is going to take in the near future with respect to dangerous dogs issues and policies:

1. Appropriate City staff, animal shelter staff, and court personnel will be trained in new procedures required by changes to the dangerous dog laws made by the 2006 General Assembly.
2. The City will use the new state Code provisions for any dangerous dog incidents.
3. The animal shelter will develop a computerized list of all dangerous dogs currently residing in the City. Any dogs newly declared dangerous will be added to the list. All existing and future dangerous dogs will also be added to the State's Dangerous Dog Registry, as required under the 2006 legislation (here is a link to the site for the registry:
<http://www.vdacs.virginia.gov/animals/dogs.shtml>).
4. The City Attorney's office will develop amendments to the City Code to (a) say what types of dogs, including dangerous dogs, are prohibited from dog parks; and (b) repeal or replace the City's current dangerous dog ordinance (if not replaced, it will be because the City Attorney determines that the State Code provisions fully meet the City's needs).
5. Once the City Code has been amended to describe the types of dogs that are not allowed at dog parks, new signs with this information will be posted at all dog parks.