

**2.01.011 Enforcement**

- (a) The city has established the position of animal control officer to enforce the provisions of this chapter.
  - (1) The animal control officer must comply with the training and continuing education requirements found in <sup>1</sup> Remove and reports to the Chief of Police, or in his absence or disability,
  - (2) The animal control officer shall be hired by and report to the chief of police, or in his absence or disability the
  - (3) The animal control officer, or if there is more than one animal control officer, the lead animal control officer is bics  
control authority.
- (b) Animal control and peace officers are authorized and charged to enforce all the provisions of this chapter.
- (c) A person commits an offense if he interferes with, hinders, or molests any animal control officer in the performance of duty delegated hereunder, or seeks to release any animal trapped or taken and held in custody under the provisions of this chapter.
- (d) The animal control officer shall have the authority to manage any dangerous or vicious animal so as not to jeopardize the health and safety of the officer including, but not limited to, the following:
  - (1) Requesting assistance from other animal control officers or other city staff;
  - (2) Requesting assistance from other agencies (i.e. city police, constables, sheriffs office, game warden, or Brazos River Authority);
  - (3) Retreating until the animal can be more efficiently contained; or
  - (4) Employing deadly force.

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