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From: Public Council Inbox
To: Pamela Staeheli; Public Council Inbox
Cc: Marianne Hudson; Debra George Mi
Subject: RE: Cat with NO eyes

Ms. Staehili:

Your e-mail (w/ attachment) was forwarded to the City Councilmembers and appropriate City staff. The message below will be included in the Correspondence for the Record for an upcoming Council meeting.

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From: Pamela Staeheli [<mailto:pgbrumell@gmail.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, August 03, 2011 9:38 PM
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To Burien City Council and CARES.

I know this picture is gruesome, but needs TO BE seen. These are situations that FCAT and FAF deal with on a time to time basis.

I went to the office of CARES and asked them that I wanted this cat put to sleep. The officer said he would call Debra, he did. I wanted to show him what what wrong with the cat. He was afraid to come see the cat because of getting something contagious. I was SO appalled by that comment. I was just asking him to look at the cat you CAN NOT get anything by looking at a cat.

He asked me to leave the cat there so he could take it to a vet to be seen and then the vet would make the decision to be put to sleep or not. I don't think so.

I did speak with Debra and she herself admitted that she is not very seasoned on cats much less feral cats. She also informed that the \$10,000.00 covers all vet costs. In a bit that concerns FCAT/FAF. I do believe some thing like that could be taken advantage of. Just think if I did bring this cat in after hours and vet just to make money decided to keep this FERAL cat alive and do all kinds of test and stuff like that, then charge CARES. In my opinion if I trapped the cat is MY feral cat and I should make the decision. It was VERY obvious that this cat needed to be put to sleep. I would NEVER just put a healthy feral to sleep. Only if serious medical issues. Broken legs.

FCAT/FAF are usually able to take our ferals if injured to the feral cat spay and neuter project to be put to sleep if necessary for free. This was not the case in which we could do this.

Debra did tell me to take it to South Seattle V,et which I did but FCAT and FAF are paying for it.

Debra does want FCAT/FAF to get together and discuss issues such as these. I still do not and will not support CARES in anyway but if this is all we have than fine.

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Burien will never have the money to have anything like KCAC EVER. All this money (120,000.00 per year) could go to KCAC and darn near pay for another animal control officer and get FULL services.

The fact that CARES has to send out letters to the local vets telling them that CARES will pay for services is very scary. Talk about cost overruns.

CARES can not do any better job of adopting out any animal than any other of the shelters, nor will they have the capacity to do so.

So the contract that Burien has with CARES is NULL and VOID.

Pamela Staeheli (FCAT) and Marianne Hudson (FAF)