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I would propose the following changes to the dog ordinances:

5-6A-1: DEFINITIONS:

DOG, DANGEROUS: Any dog which, unmuzzled, in a vicious or terrorizing manner, approaches any person or other animal in an apparent attitude of attack upon any street, sidewalk or any public grounds or place, or any premises (DELETE "other than those of its owner"); provided, that such approach is unprovoked.

My reasoning is that a dog can still be threatening to a person without leaving its yard.

Also the following change:

DOG, VICIOUS: Any dog which has, when unprovoked, bitten or attacked any person or other animal on public or private property; has a known tendency, propensity or disposition to attack persons or animals without provocation; or has been found to be a dangerous dog upon (CHANGE three (3) to TWO (2) separate occasions.

Reducing the number of "dangerous dog" incidents to speed up the dog to qualify as "vicious."

Also the following change:

1-4-2: CITATIONS:

4. Violations with respect to the regulation and licensing of dogs, cats and animals:

NEW SECTION if your dog is declared dangerous, the fine is \$250.00. The second time your dog is declared dangerous, the fine is \$500.00.

NEW SECTION if your dog is declared vicious, the fine is \$750.00 (and the dog is destroyed according to existing ordinances)

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