

HIGHLANDS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (“DISTRICT”)
SERVICE ANIMAL POLICY

Dogs or other pets (with the exception of “Service Animal(s)” trained to do work or perform tasks for an individual with a disability, including a physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual, or other mental disability) are not permitted within any District-owned public accommodations including, but not limited to, amenity buildings (offices, social halls and fitness center), pools, tennis courts, basketball courts, playgrounds, parking lots, open spaces and other appurtenances or related improvements. A Service Animal must be kept under the control of its handler by leash or harness, unless doing so interferes with the Service Animal’s work or tasks or the individual’s disability prevents doing so. The District may remove the Service Animal under the following conditions:

- If the Service Animal is out of control and the handler does not take effective measures to control it;
- If the Service Animal is not housebroken; or,
- If the Service Animal’s behavior poses a direct threat to the health and safety of others.

The District is prohibited from asking about the nature or extent of an individual’s disability in order to determine whether an animal is a Service Animal or pet. However, the District may ask whether an animal is a Service Animal required because of a disability and what work or tasks the animal has been trained to perform.