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## A WORD FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Dear Harbourside Residents,

I hope everyone is enjoying the beautiful weather we have been having. We are excited for this new year and are off to a great start.

At our last board meeting, we discussed our progress with the mangrove trimming and plans for additional landscaping and irrigation needs. We also spent considerable time discussing issues we are having with pet owners. We have received concerns about residents allowing their dogs to be off-leash, not picking up after them, and allowing pets in landscaped areas. Over the past year, we have sent out numerous reminders in an attempt to remedy these issues as they are a violation of both the Harbourside rules and Hillsborough County Animal Ordinance. We have included the rules and regulations for both Harbourside and the Hillsborough County Animal Ordinance on the back of this newsletter for your convenience. Ultimately, we all want this community to be a safe and clean environment for residents and the children who play in our common areas. We also want to keep Harbourside to be a fun, pet-friendly area.

As always, all community members are welcome and encouraged to attend our board meetings. We will be sending out the agenda to our mailing list prior to each board meeting. If you are currently not on this list, but would like to be added, please email your contact information to Donna Miraglia at [Donna@firstchoicemetro.com](mailto:Donna@firstchoicemetro.com). Additional information and a copy of the Newsletters can be found on our website at [harboursidetownhomes.com](http://harboursidetownhomes.com).

Best regards,  
Guy Van Baalen

### Upcoming Events

Our next board meeting held at 5:30 PM on Monday, March 21, 2022 via Zoom.

Meeting ID: 815 4405 4729



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## **Harbourside Rules and Regulations**

Harbourside Homeowners Association Governing Document, Article VI, section 4 states “Each owner shall have the responsibility to clean up the waste produced by his or her pet immediately. No pet shall be permitted to run at large outside a lot.” Our Rules and Regulations also state that:

- All resident animals must be registered with South Neighborhood Association (SNA) property management.
- All owners are required to have any pets on a leash, which is attached to a responsible person, when on common property. The person shall immediately remove their animal’s excrement from Harbourside Homeowners Association property and dispose of these wastes in containers provided, or at their residences.
- Animal owners are responsible for insuring their animals do not unreasonably annoy humans, endanger the life or health of to other animals or persons, or substantially interfere with the rights of other residents. Prohibited behavior shall include, but not be limited to: running loose; damaging the property of residents other than the owner’s ; intimidating residents or guests; howling, barking, whining or other disturbing noises; attacking fowls, birds, or other domestic animals; leaving excrement on other residents property or in common areas; animals are not permitted in the pool area

Failure to abide by these restrictions may result in the Board having the offending pet declared a nuisance and the requiring the owner to remove the pet from the community.

## **The Hillsborough County Animal Ordinance**

Article II, Section 6-28 states, “No dog or cat shall be allowed to stray, run or go, at large upon any public property or street, sidewalk, park, or on private property of another without the consent of the property owner.” That means any pet, when off its owner’s property or in a public place, like a neighborhood sidewalk, must be under the direct control by means of a leash, cord, or chain at all times. Please not that ear-tipped cats and ear-tipped cat caretakers shall be exempt.

(Ord. No. 00-26, § 10, 1-1-2001; Ord. No. 12-2, § 2, 1-12-2012; Ord. No. 13-33, § 4, 12-19-2013)

Section 6-32 states “Any feces deposited by a dog, an owned cat, or pet pig on public property, public walks, recreation areas or the private property of others must be immediately removed by the person who has custody or control of the animal unless otherwise authorized by the property owner.” This means you must pick up after your pet.

(Ord. No. 00-26, § 14, 1-1-2001; Ord. No. 13-33, § 5, 12-19-2013)