# ST. PETERSBURG GOOD NEIGHBOR GUIDE PET OWNERSHIP

Pet-friendly communities thrive when pet owners are responsible and respectful. These guidelines will help to ensure our communities are safe and welcoming for everyone.

# **RULES FOR DOG OWNERS**

#### PUBLIC LOCATIONS

- Pick up and dispose of dog waste to help keep pets and the environment healthy.
- Keep dogs on a leash no longer than 6 feet long in areas open to the public, including City parks.
  - Dogs may be off leash in fenced, designated dog parks.
  - Dogs may be off leash in enclosed or limited areas for an event of limited duration as designated by City Council.
- Dogs are not permitted in athletic fields and playgrounds.
- Supervise your pet at all times.

#### **PRIVATE LOCATIONS**

- Keep dogs on a leash if at a location other than the dog owner's, unless given permission by the property owner or occupant.
- Dogs may be off leash within a fenced area on or off the premises of the owner.

Adapted from City Ordinance Sec. 4-55.

# **DOG PARK LOCATIONS**

- 1. Coquina Key 3595 Locust St. SE.
- 2. Cresent Lake 1320 5th St. N.
- **3. Kenwood** 401 20th St. N.
- **4.** Lake Vista 1401 62nd Ave. S.
- 5. North Shore 901 North Shore Dr. NE.
- 6. Walter Fuller 7901 30th Ave. N.

Find more information at **stpeteparksrec.org/dogparks**.

### **DOG FRIENDLY BUSINESSES**

Many St. Pete businesses welcome dogs. Find and support local businesses in the Pet-Friendly Map at **stpete.org/PAWS**.

### **KEEP IT CLEAN**

Why is picking up dog waste so important? Besides being unpleasant to step in, dog waste that isn't picked up can make its way to local waterways via rainwater. The bacteria found in dog waste poses a threat to public health and water quality.

# **HOW TO GET IN TOUCH**

- St. Pete PAWS: stpete.org/PAWS
- Mayor's Action Center: 727-893-7111

St. Pete PAWS is an initiative of the City of St. Petersburg that aims to make St. Pete a place where pets are happy, healthy and welcome. Its mission is to shine a light on St. Petersburg, where pets are welcome and owners are caring, nurturing guardians working together to provide safe and secure environments for their furry loved ones.