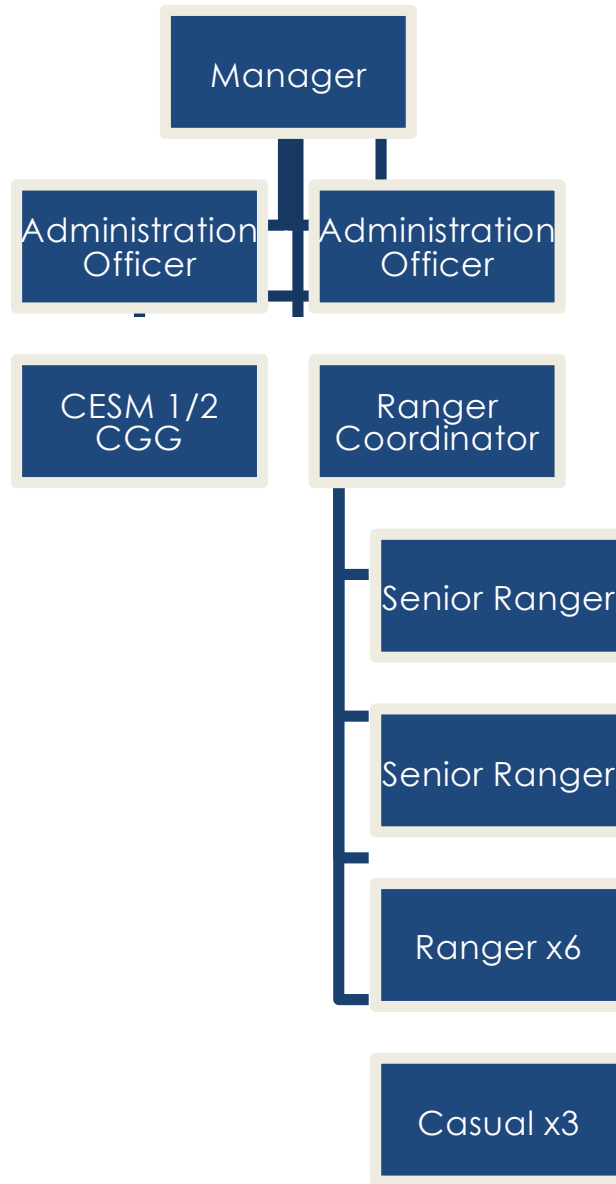




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A SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

THE REPORT OF THE PERTH HILLS BUSHFIRE FEBRUARY 2011 REVIEW

CC055 FIRE RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE CITY OF GREATER GERALDTON

AGENDA REFERENCE: D-12-15958
AUTHOR: K Seidl, Manager Community Law Safety and A Darbyshire, Chief Bushfire Control Officer
EXECUTIVE: A Selvey, Director of Creative Communities
DATE OF REPORT: 16 March 2012
FILE REFERENCE: ES/4/0001
APPLICANT / PROPONENT: City of Greater Geraldton
ATTACHMENTS: Yes (x2)

SUMMARY:

The objective of this report is request Council endorse additional resourcing over the City of Greater Geraldton current levels to ensure the City has an adequate resource to mitigate and attend to fire risks and ensure compliance with the Bush Fires Act 1954.

PROponent:

The proponent is the City of Greater Geraldton.

BACKGROUND:

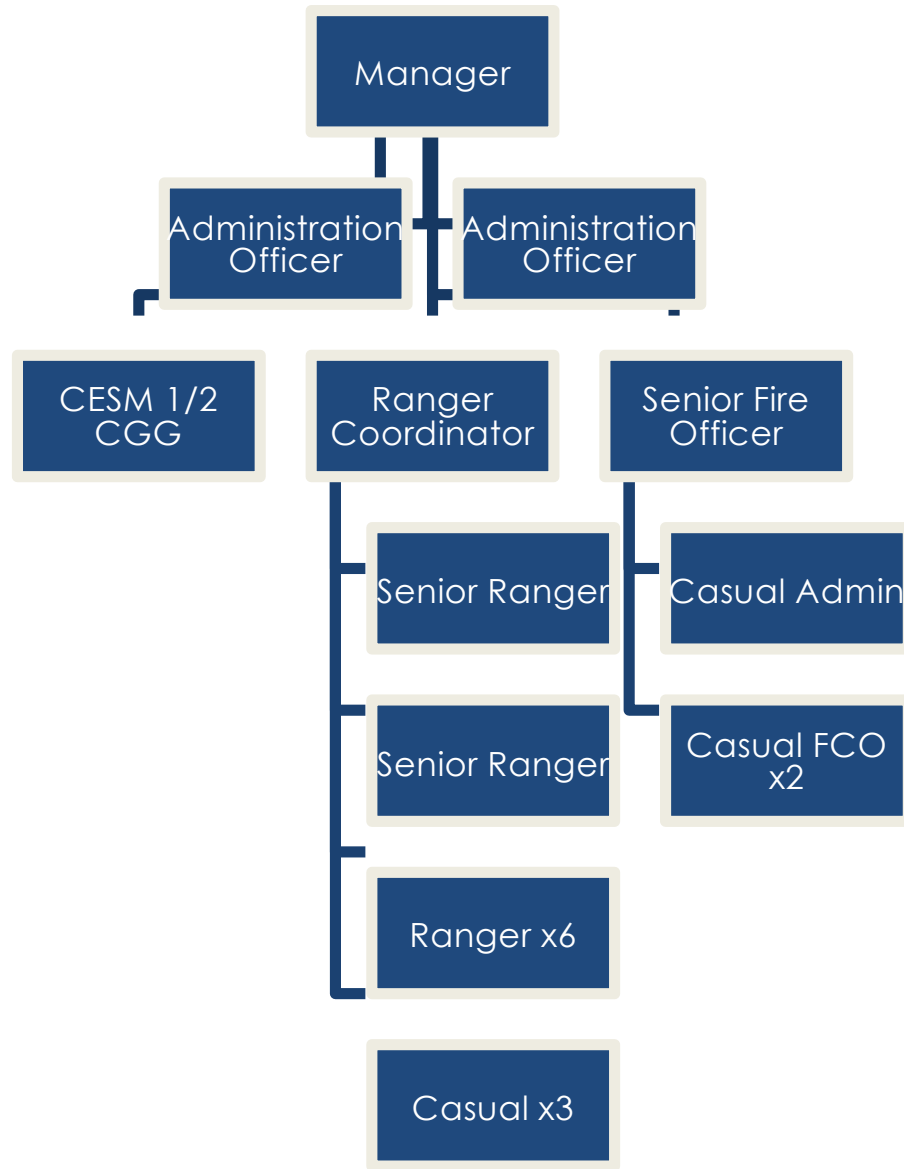
Within Western Australia the Hazard Management Authority for Bushfire is Local Government. With this comes a responsibility to effectively manage land Council owns or is responsible for in terms of mitigating the risk of fire.

The City of Greater Geraldton (CGG) has a broad area of responsibility that covers 12,500 square kilometres of land. It is worth noting the increase in 10,700 square kilometres in land area responsibility and an additional 7 Bush Fire Brigades following the amalgamation with the Shire of Mullewa. The City of Greater Geraldton now has 11 Bushfire Brigades.]

To manage that responsibility the City in partnership with the Fire and Emergency Services Authority of Western Australia (FESA) employs a Community Emergency Services Manager (CESM). The CESM also occupies the Council position of Chief Bushfire Control Officer as endorsed by Council. The role of the CESM is broad and includes education and building community resilience to the management of brigades and fires in the Greater Geraldton area.

A change to the Bush Fires Act in 2010 has meant that FESA now impose Total Fire Bans (TFB) on all activities likely to start a fire in the open. Local Government now have an increased responsibility in this area as during a Total Fire Ban Local Governments are required to impose Harvest Bans when the Fire Danger Index exceeds 35 (otherwise Harvesting is exempt); this process requires monitoring, consultation, administration and compliance.

The 2011 report into the Perth Hills Bushfires have several implications for Local Government to consider and in effect it will only be possible to address with additional resources. Failure to respond to these recommendations could put the







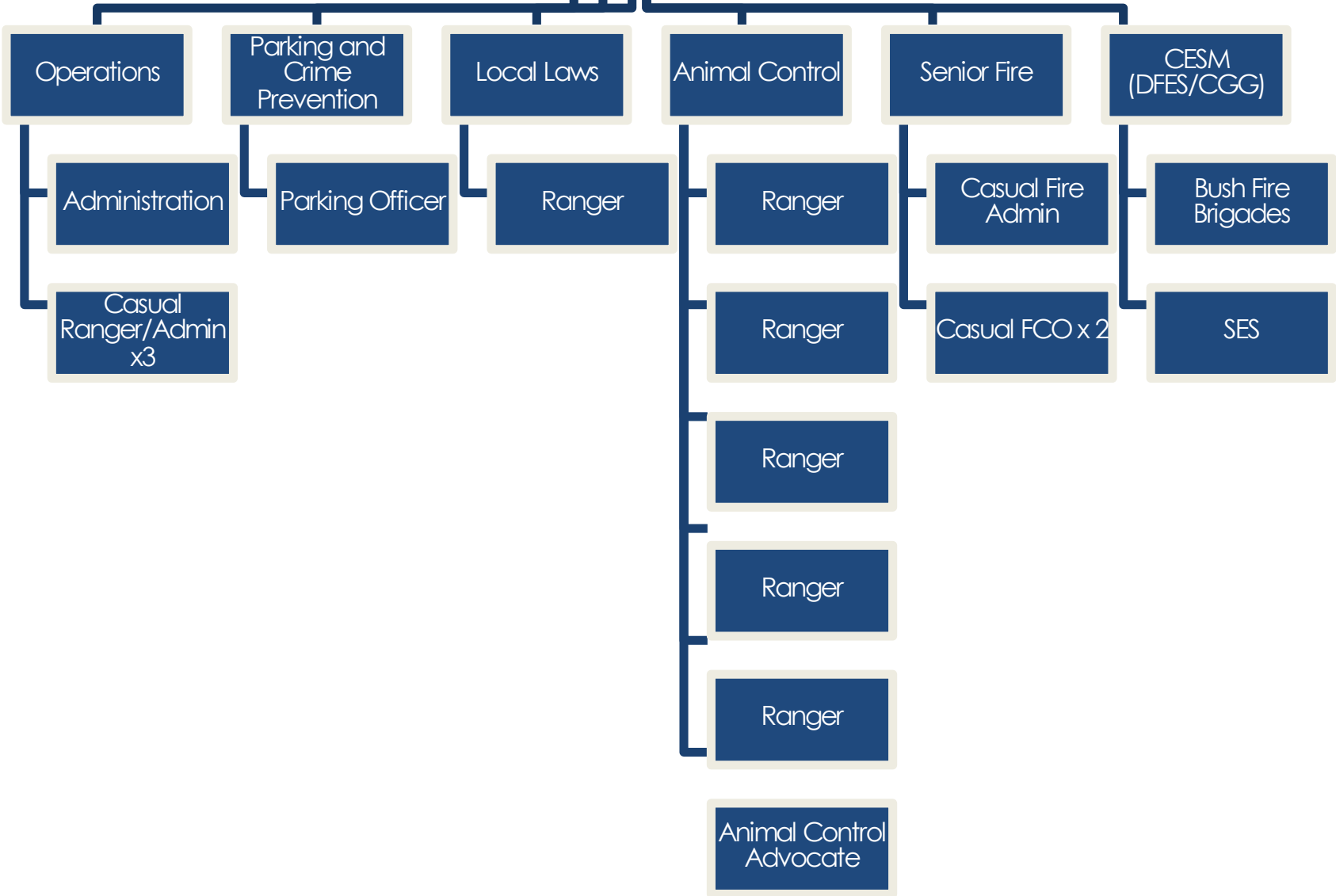


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the best hammer, not
every problem is
going to be a nail.

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Manager
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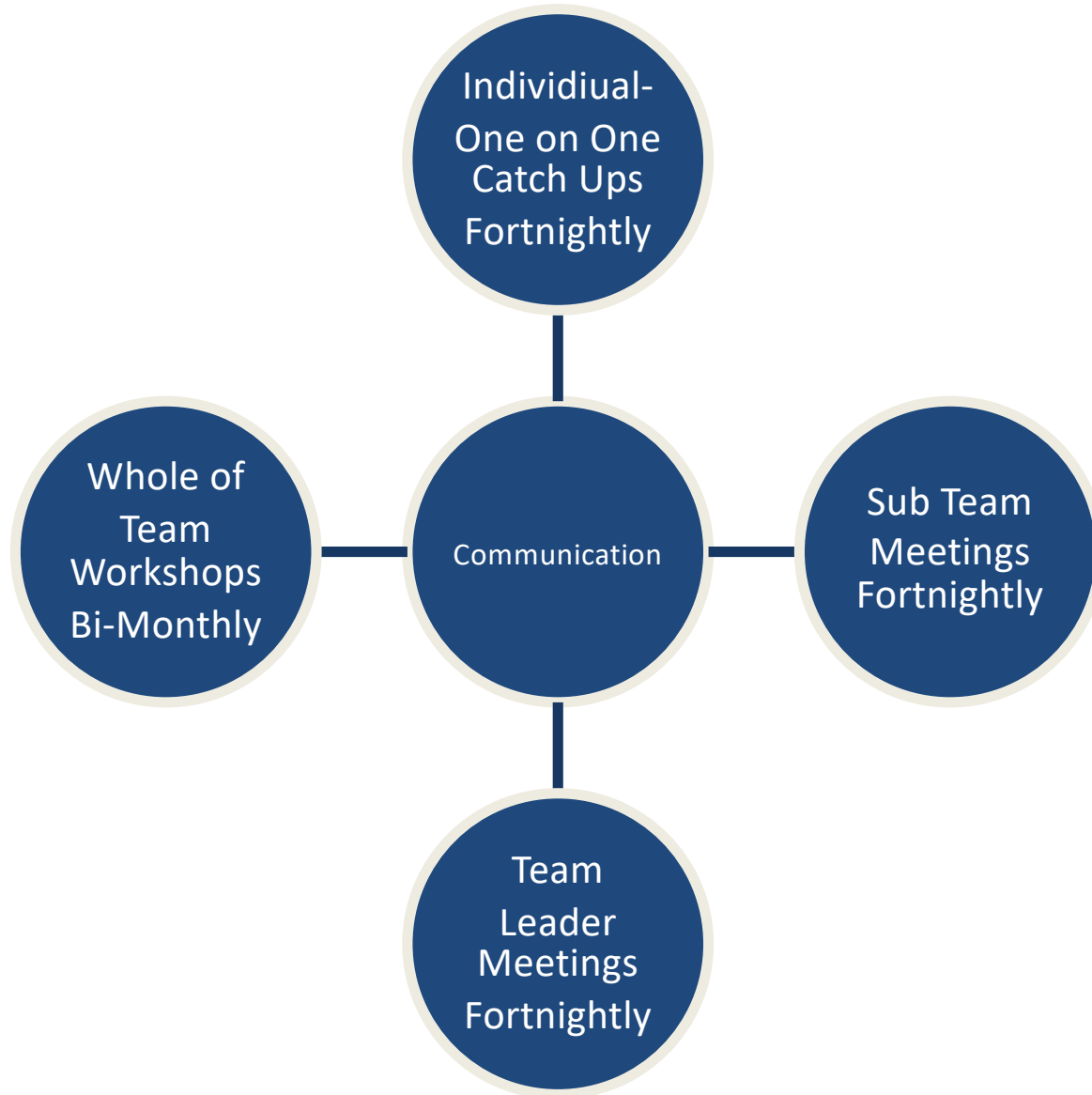


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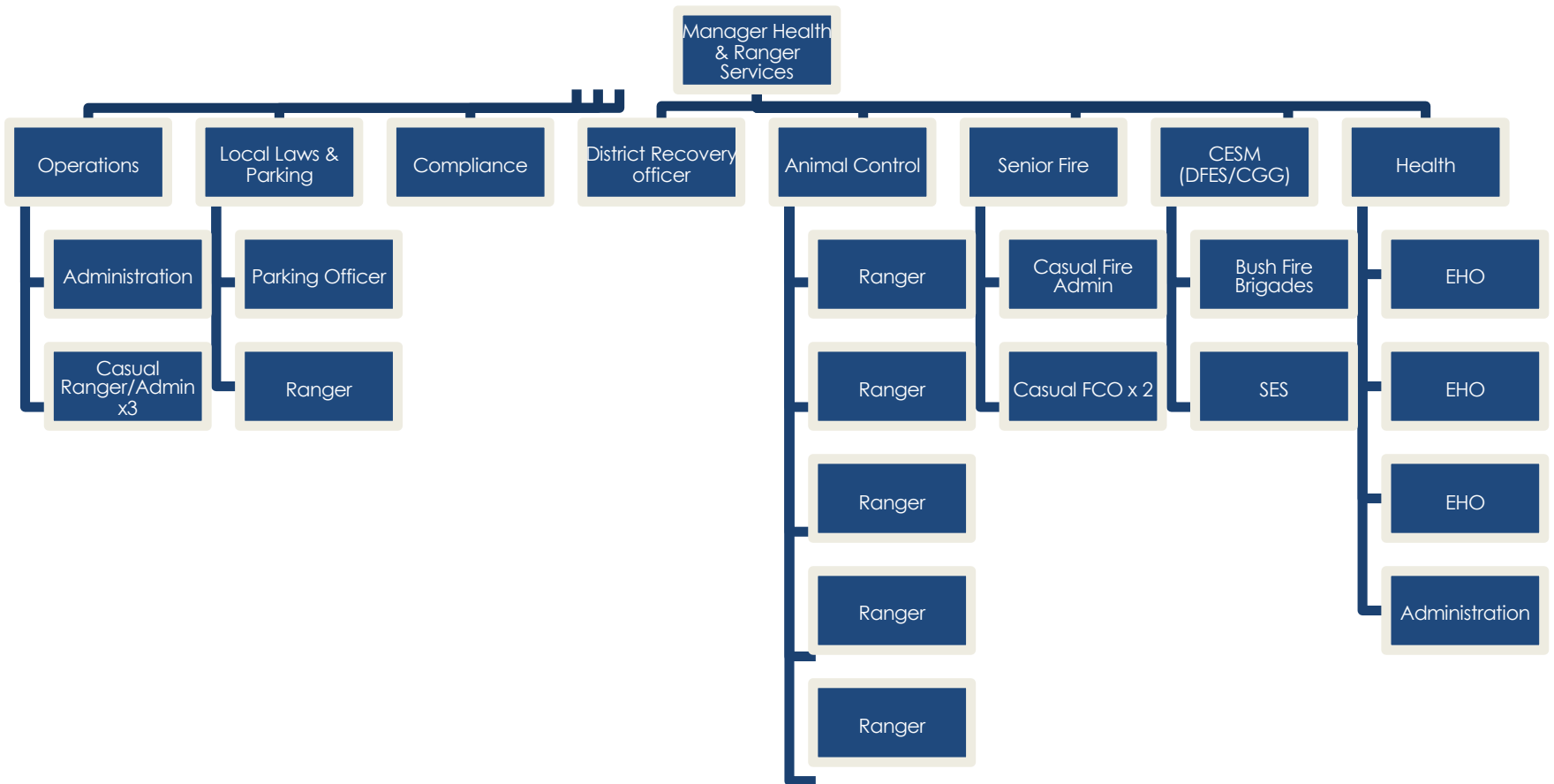


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A pessimist sees the
difficulty in every
opportunity; an optimist
sees the opportunity in
every difficulty

Winston Churchill

The important
thing is to be
happy. That is the
important thing.



**THE LONG ROAD
TO EFFECTIVE
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Toothless Tigers



Family Dispute





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It is the long history of
humankind (and animal kind
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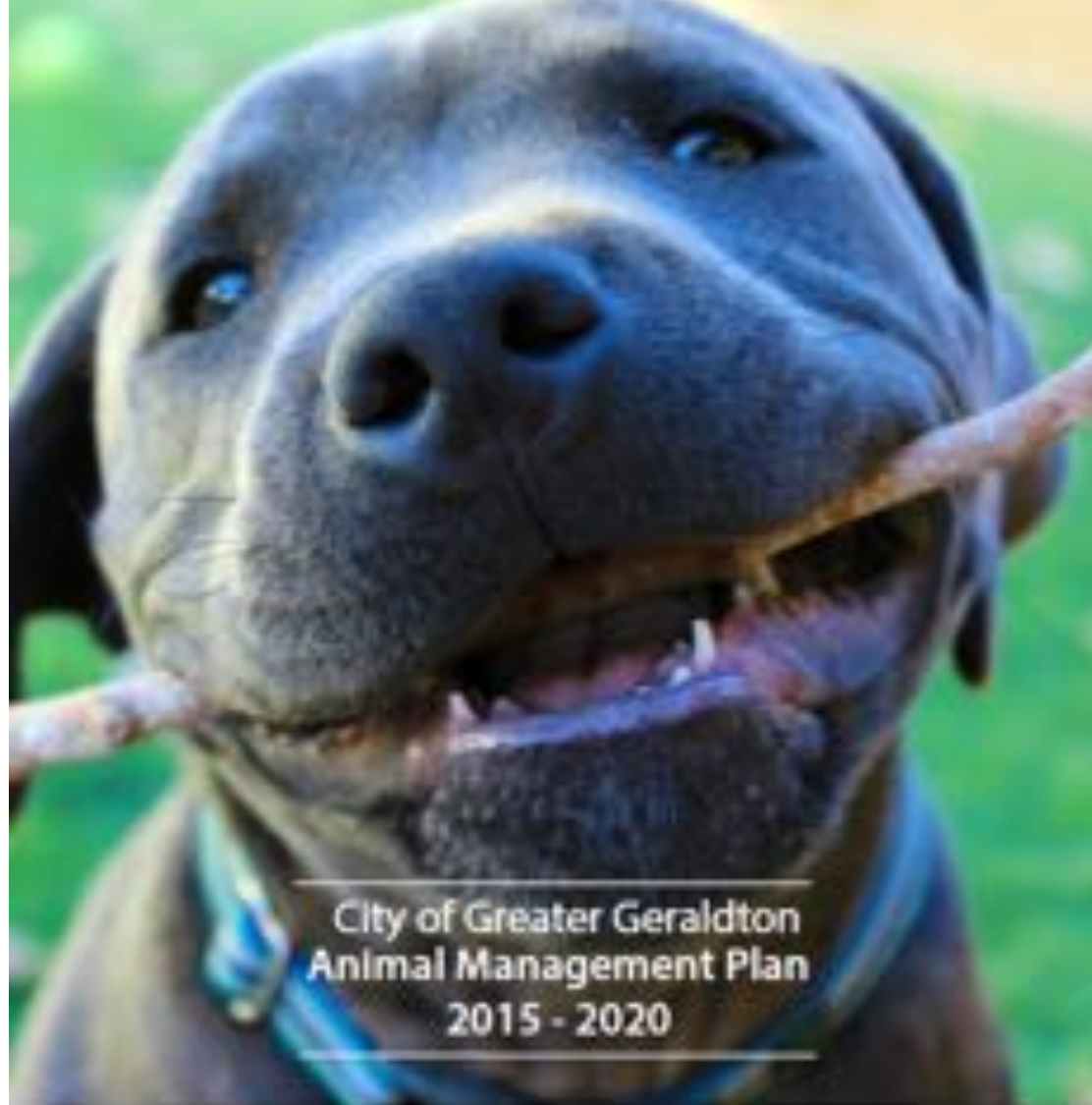
Charles Darwin

Caution, Infringe, Initiative, Prosecute



Deception, Persistence and Destruction





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