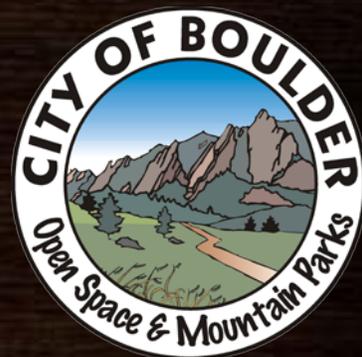




City of Boulder Open Space and Mountain Parks

Voice and Sight Tag Program Recommendations

BOULDER CITY COUNCIL
APRIL 1, 2014



PRESENTATION OUTLINE | TAG PROGRAM RECOMMENDATIONS

- Background
- Process
- Recommendations
- Key Points



BACKGROUND | TAG PROGRAM RECOMMENDATIONS

- Unique opportunity for dogs to be off leash with voice and sight control
- Sustainable visitor experiences and natural resources
- Adaptive management— Action → Assess → Adapt



Sustainability

Action → Assess → Adapt

- Before 1996 → voice control and in view
- After 1996 → voice and sight control defined

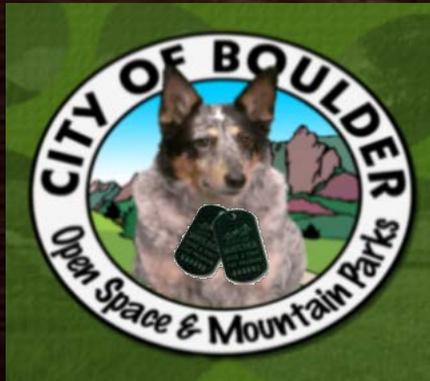


Sustainability

Action → Assess → Adapt

- After 2005 → Visitor Master Plan

Voice and Sight Tag Program
“Tag Program”



Reasons for evaluating potential changes

- City council direction
- OSBT recommendation
- Trial program
- Monitoring results



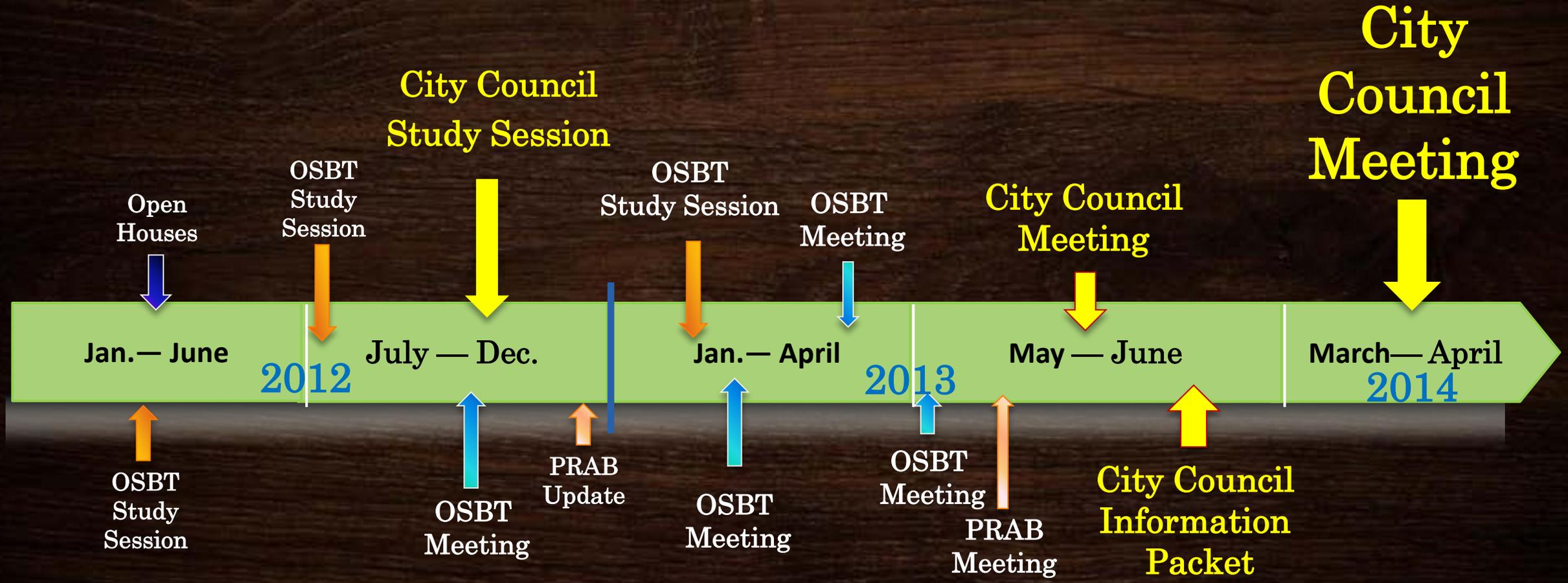
PROCESS | TAG PROGRAM RECOMMENDATIONS

- Open Space Board of Trustees input and feedback
- City Council input and feedback
- Community Comments
 - Two open houses
 - Public hearings (OSBT and City Council)
 - E-mail Notifications
 - Evaluation report
 - Web information



PROCESS | TAG PROGRAM RECOMMENDATIONS

2012 → 2014



What *would not* change?

1. Expectations of voice and sight control
2. Education as the primary focus



What would change?

Video Only



Attend a Class

No Associated
Requirements



Boulder License

Proof of Rabies Vaccination

What would change?

One Time Sign up



Annual Renewal

2 -Tier Fees



3-Tier Fees

Three V&S
Offenses in 2 Years



Two V&S Offenses
in 2 Years

What else would change?

No suspension for
aggressive animal
or failure to
protect wildlife



Suspension for single
conviction aggressive
animal or failure to
protect wildlife

Program
Related Fines



Increase fines for V&S
and No Tag Offenses

Reinstatement test
and video



Reinstatement test
and class

Voice and Sight Control Tag Program Changes

- Attend Training
- Proof of Vaccination/License
- Annual Renewal
- Fees
- One Offense Violations
- Number of V&S Convictions
- Increased Fines
- Re-attend classes if suspended

Key Points of Clarification

- Voice and sight control is not changing.
- Education remains the most important component and is more directly provided to dog guardians with the in person class.
- Suspension of privileges only means dog must be on leash until privileges are regained.
- Other groups with special privileges can be suspended/lost.
- Harassment of wildlife is a serious voice and sight control issue and causes harm to wildlife —it is prohibited by state law.

QUESTIONS ? | TAG PROGRAM RECOMMENDATIONS



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