



**City Council Policy: CP311 - Control of Rodents**

**Effective Date: August 1, 1988**

**Amends:**

**Approved By: City Council**

**I. SCOPE**

**II. PURPOSE**

**A.** To set forth the requirements of rodent control within the City. Chapter 7.32 of the Prairie Village Municipal Code entitled "Rat and Pest Control" sets forth the requirements of rodent control within the City.

**III. RESPONSIBILITY**

**IV. DEFINITIONS**

**V. POLICY**

**A.** It shall be the policy of the City of Prairie Village to refer owners of private property to a private exterminator when notice of eradication is given as stated in PVMC 7.32.050, or when requests are received from citizens for assistance.

**B.** When the City is required to act upon private property as stated in PVMC 7.32.050, it shall be the policy of the City to contract with a private professional extermination company licensed to operate within the State of Kansas.

1. At no time will City employees be authorized to use rat baits or poisons upon private property.

**C.** It is the responsibility of the City to eradicate rats located upon City property.

**VI. PROCEDURES**

**A.** Enforcement officers shall inspect infested areas and take proper actions to ensure food sources and nests areas are destroyed. The department manager may contract with a private exterminator, properly licensed to operate within the State of Kansas, for eradication of rats on City property.