

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE
RECEIVED BY
USPS
September 18, 2023

September 11, 2023

Appeal of Tamara Shoop for her dog Tucker
Case #A23-005183

Breed: Bichon/Cavalier
Color: White
Gender: Male
Owner: Tamara Shoop
Address: 7230 West Ridge Road
Mercer Island, WA 98040
Phone: 206-300-2237

I am writing to appeal the declaration of my Cavachon Tucker being a potentially dangerous dog on 8/30/23. My dog Tucker was sitting in our entry of our house in a yard on an invisible fence. The delivery man walked up to the door and dropped a package and Tucker started barking at him. I did not see the incident but I was home. I went outside to see what was going on. By that time the driver was almost to the truck. I had no idea Tucker bit the driver. He is a barker but he has never even nipped at anyone. We only walk him on a leash and he also has a bark collar we use quite often. Tuckers is a good-natured dog who loves other dogs and people normally. I often used to keep the front door ajar for my dogs to go in and out of our yard during the day when I was home working. I have deliveries often and many times the delivery drivers will pet the dogs and our UPS driver often would leave them treats. Although, he will bark if he doesn't know you but will warm up quickly. He's been with us for almost 5 years now and we've had no problems with biting ever and normally is very sweet. I didn't see the interaction with the truck driver but wonder if he may have used his leg to move Tucker away?

We are moving into an apartment soon and will no longer be in the house. I did quarantine him and we never walk him off leash as I mentioned before. He has always been contained by and Invisible Fence. I would be willing to get him some training I that may help with the barking and behavior. I am willing to cooperate with animal control to make sure Tucker is always contained and safe and so are people around him.

I am very sorry this happened but it is so out of character for him and it's never happened before. I hope you will consider the declaration and give me a chance to work with Tucker.

Tamara Shoop

