



## **ANIMAL ADVISORY COMMISSION MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING  
February 8, 2012**

**The Animal Advisory Commission convened for the Regular Meeting on Wednesday, February 8, 2012 at the Austin Animal Center, 7201 Levander Loop Conference Room in Austin, Texas.**

**Board Members in Attendance:** David Lundstedt, Palmer Neuhaus, Lisa McClain, Babette Ellis, Emily Phillips and Larry Tucker

**Board Members Absent:** Ellen Jefferson

**Staff in Attendance:** Abigail Smith, Ian Hallett and Gricelda Diaz

**Meeting Called to Order at 6:05 p.m.**

### **1. CITIZEN'S COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

- Theresa Ransom-Nelson

### **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

#### **a. AAC Regular Meeting held on January 11, 2012**

- Babette Ellis moved to approve the minutes for January 11, 2012. Emily Phillips second. Motion Carried: 6 yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained. Motion passed

### **3. OLD BUSINESS**

#### **a. Update, Discussion and Possible Action on Rescue Workgroup.**

- Emily Phillips moved to dissolve Rescue Workgroup. Babette Ellis second. Motion Carried: 3 yes, 3 no, 0 Abstained. Motion died.

Citizens Communication:

- Brad Beam
- Julia Dworschack
- Marnie Reeder

**b. Evaluate And Take Action On Prohibiting The Display Of Wild & Exotic Animals For Public Entertainment Or Amusement**

Citizens Communication:

- Karen Harris
- David Lundstedt moved to hold a Public Hearing at next month's Animal Advisory Commission Meeting. Larry Tucker second. Motion Carried: 6 yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.

**c. Discussion and Possible Action On The Possibility of Euthanasia For Space**

- Emily Phillips moved to create a Staff Briefing on 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Fiscal Year for April's AAC Meeting. Babette Ellis second. Motion Carried: 6 yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.

Citizens Communication:

- Julia Dworschack

**4. NEW BUSINESS**

**a. Discuss And Take Possible Action On The Ordinance Prohibiting Dogs In Pickup Beds**

- Emily Phillips moved to write letter to the Capital Area Veterinary Medical Association regarding supplying their offices with educational material on the Ordinance. David Lundstedt second.

Babette Ellis made friend amendment to say "or any applicable business". Friendly amendment accepted. Motion carried: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.

**b. Discuss and Take Action On PARD/YMCA Swim Center Proposal At TLAC Site**

Citizens Communication:

- Ryan Clinton
- Pat Valls-Trelles
- Sasha Edwards
- Brad Beam
- Theresa Ransom-Nelson
- Julia Dworschack
- Marnie Reeder
- Lisa McClain moved to request to be added to the stakeholder's list in regards to the YMCA. David Lundstedt second. Motion carried: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.

**c. Review And Take Action On Year Audit Fort City Clerk**

- No Motions Made

**5. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None

**6. STAFF BRIEFINGS**

**a. Update on Media Activities**

- No Motions Made

Citizens Communication:

- Pat Valls-Trelles
- Julia Dworschack

**b. Update On The Perceived Deer Overpopulation Issue**

- No Motions Made

**c. Street And Highway Signs Leading To The New Austin Animal Center**

- No Motions Made

**d. Discussion And Possible Action On Emergency Preparedness And Displacement Of Homeless Animals**

- No Motions Made

**e. Guidelines For Transfers To Rescue Groups And Shelters**

- No Motions Made

Citizens Communication:

- Julia Dworschack
- Marnie Reeder

**f. Discuss The Change In Outcome/Intake Since Moratorium Report**

- No Motions Made

Citizens Communication:

- Julia Dworschack
- Pat Valls-Trelles

**g. Status Report on Implementation Plan to reduce Animal Intake and Increase Live Animal Outcomes.**

- No Motions Made

**7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- In Old Business:  
Agenda Item 4B – Discuss And Take Action on PARD/YMCA Swim Center Proposal At TLAC Site.
- Emily Phillips move to add, Under New Business: “Briefing from Austin Pets Alive on their San Antonio Contract”. David Lundstedt second. No vote held.
- Larry Tucker moved to add, “Evaluation of Rental House and Apartment Fees for Pets and Breed Restrictions”. Emily Philips second. Motion carried: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.

Citizens Communication:

- Julia Dworschack

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.