



## **ANIMAL ADVISORY COMMISSION MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING  
FEBRUARY 08, 2016  
APPROVED March 14, 2016**

**The Animal Advisory Commission convened for a Regular Meeting Monday February 08, 2016 at the Austin City Hall, Boards & Commissions Room in Austin, Texas.**

**Board Members in Attendance:** Larry Tucker, Robert Shaw, Craig Nazor, Isabel Mier, Dr. Kristen Kjellberg, Jonathan Hogue, David Lundstedt, Lisa Mitchell, Angela Means, Palmer Neuhaus, Mike Kaviani

**Board Members Absent:** None

**Staff in Attendance:** Joan Hamilton Huber, Tawny Hammond, Kristen Auerbach, Lee Ann Shenefiel

### **CALL TO ORDER 6:02pm**

#### **1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. AAC Regular Meeting held on 1/11/16 Commissioner Tucker moved to approve the meeting minutes, Commissioner Shaw seconded. All members present voted to approve. Commissioner Nazor not present at vote.

AAC Special Called Meeting held on 1/18/16 Commissioner Mitchell moved to approve the meeting minutes, Commissioner Tucker seconded. All members present voted to approve. Commissioner Nazor not present at vote.

#### **2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

The first 10 speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda

- Thyra Rutter: 2016 Global March Against Extinction
- Aimee Cooper: Delwood 2 peacocks

#### **3. STAFF BRIEFINGS**

None

#### **4. OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Update, Discussion and Possible Action regarding the Director's Report  
Chapter 823 Health & Safety Code  
Donation Funds Report  
Dogs at large and reporting process

No action or citizen communication

- b.** Update, Discussion and Possible Action regarding the Dangerous Dog Workgroup  
No action or citizen communication
- c.** Update, Discussion and Possible Action on the Rental Housing and Breed Restrictions Workgroup  
No action or citizen communication
- d.** Update, Discussion and Possible Action 2010 No-Kill Implementation Plan  
No action or citizen communication
- e.** Update, Discussion and Possible Action regarding the Lamar Beach Planning Workgroup  
No action or citizen communication
- f.** Update, Discussion and Possible Action regarding the Austin Pet Month workgroup  
No action or citizen communication
- g.** Update, Discussion and Possible Action regarding the Animal Services and Travis County Animal Protection Jurisdictional Coordination Workgroup  
No action or citizen communication
- h.** Update, Discussion and Possible Action regarding the Pet Trader Workgroup  
No action or citizen communication
- i.** Update, Discussion and Possible Action regarding the Animal Advisory Commission By-Laws Workgroup

Commissioner Tucker moved to amend the bylaws of Animal Advisory Commission to include the words “and Commissioner’s Court” after the words “advise the City Council” and before the words “on animal welfare policies”. Commissioner Mitchell second. Motion passed; all members present voted to approve.

Commissioner Tucker moved to send the recommended Animal Advisory Commission bylaws change to Audit and Finance committee for consideration. Motion second by Commissioner Nazor Motion passed; all members present voted to approve.

**5. NEW BUSINESS**

- a.** Discussion and Possible Action for communication to Council regarding Animal Services Office success in 2015.

Commissioner Tucker moved to authorize the chair to draft a letter to Council commending staff on the excellent job done in the past six months and attach the accompanying performance report. Commissioner Kjellberg second. Motion passed; all members present voted to approve.

- b.** Discussion and Possible Action regarding Mayor’s Monarch Pledge

Commissioner Tucker move to form a Monarch Pledge Workgroup, Commissioner Kjellberg second. Motion passed; all members present voted to approve.

- c.** Discussion and Possible Action regarding Disaster Preparedness  
No action or citizen communication

- d.** Discussion and Possible Action regarding Spay/Neuter on first impoundment

Citizen Communication: Pat Valls-Trelles

Commissioner Means moved to amend the animal regulation section 3-1-29 to “May sterilize on first impoundment”, Commissioner Mier second.  
Motion withdrawn by Commissioner Means and Mier; item held for discussion at the next meeting.

**6. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

None

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 7:31pm