



## Annual Internal Review

**This report covers the time period of 7/1/2019 to 6/30/2020  
Animal Advisory Commission**

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**The Board/Commission mission statement** (per the City Code) **is:** *The purpose of the board is to advise the City Council and the Travis County Commissioners Court on compliance with Texas Health and Safety Code Chapter 823 ( Animal Shelters );advise the city council on animal welfare policies and on budget priorities identified by the commission and the community, except on issues related to the administration of the Animal Services Department; Advise the Travis County Commissioners Court on animal welfare policies; promote collaboration between the City and private citizens, institutions, and agencies interested in or conducting activities relating to animal welfare in the city; identify proactive, creative approaches to engage and facilitate communication within the animal welfare community; and foster and assist the development of animal welfare programs in the community. The commission may study, advise, and report on policy recommendations it deems effective to promote animal welfare outcomes consistent with City goals and objectives as outlined by city council and the city manager.*

**Describe the board's actions supporting their mission during the previous calendar year. Address all elements of the board's mission statement as provided in the relevant sections of the City Code.**

- Received quarterly reports from staff on issues directly related to Chapter 823 compliance at the Austin Animal Center and TLAC.
- Received monthly Animal Services Reports.
- Received monthly Austin Animal Center Reports.
- Provided a forum for public comment and discourse.

The commission created or carried over the following work groups;

- Code revision workgroup
- Budget Priorities workgroup

- Wildlife funding workgroup

The Commission made the following recommendations to Council/Travis County;

- Recommendation to city council that the ASO version of revised code amendments be adopted.

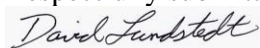
**Determine if the board's actions throughout the year comply with the mission statement.**

**Yes**

**List the board's goals and objectives for the new calendar year.**

- Support staff in their efforts to maintain and improve No-Kill status at the Austin Animal Center. The Live Outcome rate at the Austin Animal Center for 2018 was 98.88 %
- Actively support Animal Services 2018/2019 budget requests to the city and Travis County including additional Animal Protection staff.
- Receive monthly Austin Animal Center reports.
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- Receive quarterly reports from Austin Animal Center staff on issues related to compliance with Texas Health and Safety Code Chapter 823 at the Austin Animal Center.
- Receive quarterly reports from Austin Pets Alive!
- Assist the City of Austin and the Animal Services Office with post-Pandemic delivery of service to the human and animal residents of Austin.

Respectfully submitted,



David Lundstedt, AAC Chair