Answers to questions about ASO February data report submitted by Lotta Smagula, District 1 Representative, Animal Advisory Commission

• On the Animals Euthanized slide, what is the difference between euthanasia for suffering and euthanasia medical?

Medical is normally used as a subtype. The primary reasoning is usually suffering and then a subtype is providing for a reason such as sick, medical, toxicity, etc. For the animal that was labeled as a medical reason, it was a sick raccoon found in the field. The APO on duty euthanized the animal and labeled it as medical.

• On the Animals Lost, Stolen or Missing slide, which is it? Lost, stolen, or missing, and was it from the shelter or foster?

Missing, lost, or stolen are the primary outcomes, and kennel or foster would be the subtype. We looked into it and saw that lost and stolen are not an option in the primary outcome list. We are having IT add them. When looking at the lost animal from February, we see that it was never impounded but listed as a lost dog in the lost report online. That is a new glitch that we will need to work with IT to address.

• On the SNR Program slide, what is the difference between cat and adult cat?

Everything is counted as a cat. In the ordinance, we needed to break it down by kitten and adult cats. The adult cat designation is to show anything older than six months that went to SNR.

• On the Intact Animals Adopted/Returned to Owner slide, what is the reason for the 8 animals that were adopted out intact? Was it medical, did they not weigh enough? Have follow up spay/neuter appointments been set up with AAC for those animals?

There were six animals that were adopted intact. We had three kittens and a puppy that were too young for surgery. One was a 14-year-old Chihuahua with medical issues, and the other is a 14-year-old pit with medical issues.