



**ANIMAL ADVISORY COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**SPECIAL MEETING
JANUARY 18, 2010**

The Animal Advisory Commission convened in a special meeting on Monday, January 18, 2010 at the Austin Energy Building, 721 Barton Springs Road in Austin, Texas.

Board Members in Attendance: Larry Tucker, David Lundstedt, Babette Ellis, Lisa McClain, Ellen Jefferson, Palmer Neuhaus and Robert Graham

Board Members Absent: None

Staff in Attendance: Dorinda Pulliam and Linda Terry

1. CITIZEN'S COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

Sasha Evans – Frustration at Staff

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- David Lundstedt moved to approve minutes for January 11, 2010 Special Meeting. Ellen Jefferson second. Lisa McClain made friendly amendment to correct last name graham to a capital letter “G” on the second item under # 7 Future Agenda Items. Friendly amendment accepted. Motion Carried: 6 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion passed. Babette Ellis came in late and did not vote.

3. OLD BUSINESS

None

4. NEW BUSINESS

**a. AAC Recommendation II: Decrease Shelter Intake
B: Reduce Feral Cat Euthanasia**

– Presentations:

None

– Invited Presenters:

None

– **City Presentation**

- Dorinda Pulliam - Presenter

No Motions Made

– **Discussion of AAC Recommendation II: Decrease Shelter Intake C: High Volume, Free and Low Cost Spay/Neuter**

Citizen's Communication:

- Adette Quintana – Public Awareness
- Brad Beam – Public Awareness
- Heather Bailey
- Jane Sullivan
- Meghan Turner

No Motions Made

b. Performance Measures Subcommittee Report and Recommendations

- David Lundstedt moved to postpone the Subcommittee Report to Monday, January 25, 2010. Lisa McClain second. Motion Carried: 7 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained
Motion Passed.

c. Discuss Travis County Funding of Free Spay/Neuter

No Motions Made

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

6. STAFF BRIEFINGS

None

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- David Lundstedt moved to post item 4b “Performance Measures Subcommittee Report and Recommendations” on the Monday, January 25, 2010 AAC Special Meeting. Lisa McClain second; Motion Carried: 7 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion Passed.
- Lisa McClain moved to discuss Recommendations Wrap-up Procedures. David Lundstedt second; Motion Carried: 7 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion Passed.

- Larry Tucker moved that the AAC schedule an additional Special Meeting for Saturday, January 30th or Sunday, January 31, 2010. Ellen Jefferson second. Motion Carried: 0 in Favor, 7 Opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion failed.
- Larry Tucker moved to add a Staff Briefing to the January 25, 2010 Special Meeting Agenda for Melanie Miller or HHSD Staff or Animal Services Staff to provide a cost per adopted feline, per adopted canine, as well as a yearly cost for both, including outside contracts, including donation fund money, for City Fiscal Years 2007, 2008, and 2009, if available. The information should be broken down by:
 - Spay/neuter/testing/rabies vaccines/microchip costs (staff/supplies/equipment/maintenance)
 - Ongoing veterinary care for 3-day stray hold is over for dogs and cats that are adopted
 - Kennel staff and supplies expended in the Adoption areas
 - Any maintenance to equipment and facilities used in Adoption areas
 - Customer service staff and supplies used for Adoption processes only
 - Any advertising for Adoption of TLAC pets
 - Volunteer program budget percentage and amount used on Adoption programs
 - Foster program budget percentage and amount used on Adoption programs
 - By funds allocated

Other information requested:

- Euthanasia by species by reason for all live animals taken into TLAC in FY2009.
- Any plan of TLAC/Animal Services to meet Resolution goal of >90% live outcome for FY 2011.
- Any written TLAC strategies from FY2009 or FY2010 to increase live outcomes and the impact made/expected in terms of lives saved over previous years.

Robert Graham second. Motion Carried: 7 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion Passed.

- Larry Tucker moved to add a Special Meeting of the Animal Advisory Committee, Sunday, January 31, 2010, from 12:00-4:00 p.m. David Lundstedt second. Motion Carried: 7 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion Passed.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Larry Tucker declared the meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.