

# ANIMAL ADVISORY COMMISSION MINUTES

# REGULAR MEETING MARCH 3, 2010

The Animal Advisory Commission convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday, March 3, 2010 at the Austin Energy Building, Assembly Room, 721 Barton Springs Road in Austin, Texas.

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

Board Members Absent: Ellen Jefferson

Staff in Attendance: Bob Corona, Dorinda Pulliam

## 1. CITIZEN'S COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

Chris Morris Brad Beam – Lack of integrity

#### 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

 Babette Ellis moved to approve the February 17, 2010 Meeting Minutes. Second by David Lundstedt. Motion carried: 4 in favor. 0 opposed, 2 Abstained. Motion passed.

#### 3. OLD BUSINESS

- a. AAC Regular Meeting Minutes held December 16, 2009
  - Larry Tucker moved to postpone approval of the December 16, 2010 Meeting Minutes due to not enough votes. Second by David Lundstedt. Motion carried: 6 in favor. 0 opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion passed

#### b. AAC Regular Meeting Minutes held January 20, 2010

• Larry Tucker moved to approve the January 20, 2010 Meeting Minutes. Robert Graham second. Motion carried: 4 in favor. 0 opposed, 2 Abstained. Motion passed.

#### c. AAC Special Meeting Minutes held February 1, 2010

 Larry Tucker moved to postpone approval of the February 1, 2010 Meeting Minutes due to not enough votes. Second by David Lundstedt. Motion carried: 6 in favor. 0 opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion passed

### 4. New Business

- a. Review and discuss all formal and informal agreements for provision of Animal Services at Town Lake Animal Center:
  - City of Austin Interlocal Agreement with Travis County;
  - City of Austin agreements not included in the Travis County Interlocal Agreement; and
  - Intake report by admitter that specifies County source.

No motions made

- b. Review and discuss any changes made to the Implementation Plan
  - Citizens Communication:
    - Brad Beam
    - Julia Dworschack
    - Sasha Evans Disappointment of Staff's Update on Recommendations
  - Palmer Neuhaus moved that the Animal Advisory Commission present the Budget Summary document she produced at the Public Health & Human Services meeting tomorrow, March 4<sup>th</sup>. David Lundstedt second. Motion failed.
  - Babette Ellis moved that Palmer Neuhaus recuse herself from the discussion of the budget document she produced for the meeting. No second, Motion died.
  - Lisa McClain moved that in addition to the City Staff's input summary, to include Palmer Neuhaus' comparison budget document to the Implementation Plan packet. Larry Tucker second. Motion carried: 4 in Favor, 2 Opposed, 1 Abstained. Motion passed.
  - Larry Tucker moved to acknowledge the memo, referred as "the Tucker's Memo", document and approve and to accompanied Staff's plan tomorrow, March 4<sup>th.</sup> Robert Graham second. Motion carried: 6 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.
  - Approval of Line Items from the Larry Tucker's Memo to move forward:
    - Larry Tucker moved to approve #1 Revised Mission of Animal Services, David Lundstedt second. Motion carried: 5 in Favor, 1 Opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.
    - Larry Tucker moved to approve # 2 Comprehensive Adoption Program. David Lundstedt second. Motion carried: 5 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 1 Abstained. Motion passed.
    - Larry Tucker moved to approve # **3** Future Use of TLAC Site. David Lundstedt second. Motion carried: 5 in Favor, 1 Opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.
    - Larry Tucker moved to approve #4 Behavorist Position. Babette Ellis second. Motion carried: 6 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.

- Larry Tucker moved to approve # 5 Owner Relinquishment Appointment Policy. David Lundstedt second. Motion carried: 5 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 1 Abstained. Motion passed.
- Larry Tucker moved to approve # 6 Enhance Foster Care Program. David Lundstedt second. Motion carried: 5 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 1 Abstained. Motion passed.
- Larry Tucker moved to approve #7 Enhance Spay Street Program. David Lundstedt second. Motion carried: 5 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 1 Abstained. Motion passed.
- Larry Tucker moved to approve #8 Provide Sterilization Services at Rabies Clinics. David Lundstedt second. Motion carried: 6 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.
- Larry Tucker moved to approve #9 Public Awareness Campaign. David Lundstedt second. Motion carried: 6 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.
- Larry Tucker moved to approve # 10 24 Hour Kill List Hold. David Lundstedt second. Motion carried: 6 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.
- Larry Tucker moved to approve # 11 Last Resort Adoptions. David Lundstedt second. Motion carried: 6 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.
- Larry Tucker moved to approve # 12 Owner Surrender Acknowledgement. David Lundstedt second. Motion carried: 6 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.
- Larry Tucker moved to approve # 13 Animal Acclimation Program. David Lundstedt second. Motion carried: 6 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.
- Larry Tucker moved to approve # 14 Rescue Group Task Force. David Lundstedt second. Motion carried: 6 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.
- Larry Tucker moved to approve # 15 Performance Measures. David Lundstedt second. Motion carried: 6 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.
- Larry Tucker moved to approve # 16 Intake Fee. David Lundstedt second. Motion carried: 5 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 1 Abstained. Motion passed.
- Larry Tucker moved to approve # 17 Community Cats Live Outcome Program. David Lundstedt second. Motion carried: 6 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.
- Larry Tucker moved to approve Moratorium on Empty Cage Killing. David Lundstedt second. Motion carried: 5in Favor, 0 Opposed, 1 Abstained. Motion passed.
- Larry Tucker moved to approve Adopt Appropriate Terminology. David Lundstedt second. Motion carried: 6 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.
- Larry Tucker moved to remove Enhanced Alternatives to Shelter Surrender. Babette Ellis second. Motion carried: 6 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.
- Larry Tucker moved to add the following items, highlighted in yellow, on the memo presented by Larry.
  - #1-Cost Analysis -0-.
  - # 2 Increase in, add the 1<sup>st</sup> 2 sentences under notes

- # 4, under cost Analysis to be added; "\$0, included in the Comprehensive Adoption Program".
- # 6 add "d" to Enhance. On the 4<sup>th</sup> paragraph, add everything under Cost Analysis, Impact & everything under it.
- # 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 & 15 add Cost Analysis \$0 & Impact: Unknown.
- # 17 Cost Analysis: \$78,446.61, Impact: 1,299 Animals
- Under Moratorium on Empty Cage Killing: add "for terminology" & Cost Analysis: \$0, Impact: Unknown.

Robert Graham second. Motion carried: 6 in favor. 0 opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.

- Larry Tucker moved to delete the following items, highlighted in yellow, on the memo presented by Larry:
  - #2, second paragraph, delete APA
  - # 17, 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph, delete "such as Austin Pets Alive, the Austin Humane Society".

Babette Ellis second. Motion carried: 5 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 1 Abstain. Motion passed.

- Larry Tucker moved to make the following changes, highlighted in yellow, on the memo presented by Larry:
  - #9 "Love-A-Bull" to "a non-profit".

Robert Graham second. Motion carried: 5 in favor. 0 opposed, 1 Abstained. Motion passed.

Larry Tucker moved to include the four points that Mayor Pro Tem directed AAC to approve in greater detail; (#1) Mission Statement, (#2) Comprehensive Adoption Program, Moratorium on Euthanasia when cage space is available and Preservation of entire TLAC site for six months after new shelter location opens – in the Staff's plan that is to be presented to the Health & Human Services Subcommittee Meeting tomorrow, March 4<sup>th</sup>. Robert Graham second. Motion carried: 5 in Favor, 1 Opposed, 0 Abstain. Motion passed.

# 5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

# 6. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- a. Animal Services Center Briefing
  - Tabled for Next Month's Regular Meeting

### b. Staff Briefing on Any Issues Related to Animals in Travis County

• Tabled for Next Month's Regular Meeting

### c. Briefing & Discussion of Animal Cruelty/Neglect Cases Investigations in Travis County

- Citizens Communication:
  - Susan Hendrix
  - Brad Beam

## 7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Palmer Neuhaus moved to add Agenda Items 6a Animal Services Center Briefing & 6b

   Staff Briefing on any Issues Related to Animals in Travis County Agenda. Second by
   Larry Tucker second. Motion carried: 6 in favor. 0 opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion
   passed.
- Larry Tucker moved to add Standing Agenda Item 4a Review & Discuss all formal and informal agreements for provision of animal services at Town Lake Animal Center. David Lundstedt second. Motion carried: 6 in favor. 0 opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.
- Larry Tucker moved postpone approval of the December 16, 2009 and the February 1, 2010 Meeting minutes to the April meeting. David Lundstedt second. Motion carried: 6 Favor. 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.
- Larry Tucker moved to discuss any changes made to the Implementation Plan. Second by Palmer Neuhaus. Motion carried: 6 in favor. 0 opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.
- David Lundstedt moved to Discuss Pet Trader Ordinance and requested City Legal to attend. Larry Tucker second. Motion carried: 6 in Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.

## 8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 8:23 pm.