



ANIMAL ADVISORY COMMISSION MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING
April 13, 2011**

The Animal Advisory Commission convened for the Regular Meeting on Wednesday, April 13, 2011 at the Austin Energy Building, First Floor Assembly Room, 721 Barton Springs Road in Austin, Texas.

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

Board Members Absent: None

Staff in Attendance: Abigail Smith, Filip Gecic, Kymberley Maddox and Gricelda Diaz

Meeting Called to Order at 6:10 p.m.

1. CITIZEN'S COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

None

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

a. AAC Regular Meeting held on March 9, 2011

- Babette Ellis moved to approve the minutes for March 9, 2011. Lisa McClain second with one correction – change the wording on Item 4B from Motion resented to Motion Withdrawn. Motion Carried: 6 yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained. Motion passed (Note: Larry Tucker arrived late and did not vote on this motion).

3. OLD BUSINESS

a. Update, Discussion of Workgroups

- Pit Bull
 - No Motions Made
- Public Awareness
 - No Motions Made
- Rescue
 - No Motions Made
- Donation's Funds
 - No Motions Made

- Perceived Deer Overpopulation
 - No Motions Made

b. Discussion of the Donations Fund's Reserve Funds

- Palmer Neuhaus moved submit letter to City Council addressing reallocation of Donations Funds funding the Implementation Plan and possibility of permanent funding through General Funds for 2012. Motion Carried: Motion Carried: 7 yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.
- Babette Ellis moved to assign Palmer Neuhaus and Lisa McClain to draft letter to City Council before April 20, 2010. Emily Phillips second. Motion Carried: Motion Carried: 7 yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.

c. Discuss and Take Action on the Perceived Deer Overpopulation Issue

- No Motions Made

4. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Possible Discussion And Action On Both Draft Appreciation Letters To Filip Gecic And Joan Hamilton-Huber For Their Service And Job Well Done To Forward To City Council.**

Citizen's Communication:

- Brad Beam
 - No Motions Made

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

6. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- b. Status Report on Implementation Plan to reduce Animal Intake and Increase Live Animal Outcomes.**

Citizen's Communication:

- Gretchen Meyers
- Martin Selbrede

Note: Ellen Jefferson and Palmer Neuhaus recused themselves from discussion of Item 2 – Davenport Adoption Center. Palmer Neuhaus did join conversation & asked question on separate item.

- No Motions Made

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Leave Update on Donations Funds & remove Item 3C – Discuss and Take Action on the Perceived Deer Overpopulation Issue from next month's agenda. Also, move forward item 3A – Update, Discussion & Take Action of Workgroups deleting the last bullet Perceived Deer Overpopulation.
- Babette Ellis moved to place in the agenda Discuss the Change in Outcome/Intake since Moratorium Report by staff. David Lundstedt second. Motion carried: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained - Motion passed.
- Lisa McClain moved to request City Legal to attend the May 11, 2010 Animal Advisory Commission meeting to address the issue of Regulation Private Rescue Groups. Babette Ellis second. Motion carried: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained - Motion passed.

Citizen's Communication:

- Brian Jorgenson

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business meeting adjourned at 7:59 pm.