



**ANIMAL ADVISORY COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
December 14, 2011**

The Animal Advisory Commission convened for the Regular Meeting on Wednesday, October 12, 2011 at the Austin Energy Building, First Floor Assembly Room, 721 Barton Springs Road in Austin, Texas.

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

Board Members Absent: Emily Phillips

Staff in Attendance: Abigail Smith, Ian Hallett and Gricelda Diaz

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

1. CITIZEN'S COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

- Karen Harris

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

a. AAC Regular Meeting held on October 12, 2011

- Lisa McClain moved to approve the minutes for October 12, 2011. Palmer Neuhaus second. Motion Carried: 5 yes, 0 No, 1 Abstained. Motion passed

3. OLD BUSINESS

a. Update, Discussion and Possible Action on Workgroup Items.

- Dog Park
 - David Lundstedt moved to dismantle the Dog Park Workgroup. Babette Ellis second. Motion Carried: 6 yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.

- Public Awareness
 - Babette Ellis moved to dismantle the Public Awareness Workgroup. David Lundstedt second. Motion Carried: 6 yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.
- Rescue
 - No Motions Made

4. NEW BUSINESS

a. Debriefing Of The Bastrop Fires And Relationships To The Animal Groups Involved

- No Motions Made

Citizens Communication:

- Marnie Reeder

b. Discuss And Take Action On 2012 Meeting Schedule

- David Lundstedt moved to Adopt Meeting Schedule with a change of meeting date in March to March 21st and cancelling of the December 2012 Meeting. Larry Tucker second. Motion Carried: 6 yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.
- Babette Ellis moved to change location of the Animal Advisory Commission meetings to the Austin Animal Center located at 7201 Levander Loop starting with January's meeting. David Lundstedt second. Motion Carried: 6 yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

6. STAFF BRIEFINGS

a. Shelter Move Update

- No Motions Made

b. Street And Highway Signs Leading To The New Austin Animal Center

- No Motions Made

c. Discussion And Possible Action On Emergency Preparedness And Displacement Of Homeless Animals

- No Motions Made

d. Guidelines For Transfers To Rescue Groups And Shelters

- No Motions Made

e. Discuss The Change In Outcome/Intake Since Moratorium Report

- No Motions Made

f. Status Report on Implementation Plan to reduce Animal Intake and Increase Live Animal Outcomes.

- No Motions Made

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- In Old Business – just leave Rescue Workgroup
- Larry Tucker moved to add under New Business - Evaluate and Take Action On Prohibiting The Display Of Wild & Exotic Animals For Public Entertainment Or Amusement. Babette Ellis second. Motion Carried: 5 yes, 0 No, 1 Abstained. Motion passed.
- Under Staff Briefing, Remove 6A – Shelter Move Update, keeping 6 B, 6C, 6D, 6E & 6F.
- Larry Tucker moved to add under Staff Briefing - Update On The Perceived Deer Overpopulation Issue. Lisa McClain second. Motion Carried: 6 yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained. Motion passed.
- Ellen Jefferson moved to add under New Business – Discussion and Possible Action on the possibility of Euthanasia for Space. Lisa McClain second. Motion Carried: 5 yes, 0 No, 1 Abstained. Motion passed.

Citizens Communication:

- Brad Beam

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business meeting adjourned at 8:24 pm.