

Animal Advisory Commission

June 14, 2013

Dear Mayor and Council,

At the June 12, 2013 meeting of the Austin Animal Advisory Commission the AAC unanimously approved a motion (7-0-0) to recommend that council approve the Animal Services 2013-2014 budget request. The continued success of your "No-Kill" resolution has made a tremendous difference in Austin and put several vital programs into operation. We now have a need to increase staff positions in support of these programs to maintain this progress and reduce employee stress caused by the increased demands of "No-Kill."

- **Customer Service/ Adoption Unit: 5.0 FTEs, \$271k**
 - Expanded hours
 - Fully staffed & open to the public 363 days/year
 - 20,000 animals/year, 90% + live outcome rate
- **Animal Care Workers: 7.00 FTEs, \$339K**
 - Not meeting Association of Shelter Veterinarians (ASV) guidelines for care
 - Average 500 animals to feed and clean daily
 - New shelter 5,000 square feet larger
- **Animal Health Technicians for Behavior Program: 2.00 FTEs, \$104K**
 - Public Safety and Live Outcomes
 - Requires more than one staff person to be effective

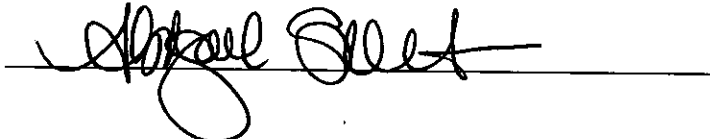
Thank you for your consideration,

David Lundstedt, Chair

Recommendation: 20130612-003c

Unanimously approved by Animal Advisory Commission on a 7-0-0 vote June 12,2013

Attest:



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