



**ANIMAL ADVISORY COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
August 13, 2018
APPROVED September 10, 2018**

The Animal Advisory Commission convened in a regular meeting on Monday, August 13, 2018, at Austin City Hall, 301 W. Second St., Boards and Commissions Room 1101, Austin.

Chair David Lundstedt called the Commission Meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

Commission Members in Attendance:

David Lundstedt, Katie Jarl, Craig Nazor, Dr. Lauren Cannon, Angela Means, Isabel Mier, Nancy Nemer, Edward Flores, and Ryan Clinton.

Commission Members Absent: Heather Allard, Lisa Mitchell, Palmer Neuhaus (District 8 vacant)

Staff in Attendance: Lee Ann Shenefiel, Jason Garza, and Belinda Hare

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Nancy Nemer moved to approve the minutes of the July 9, 2018, meeting. Commissioner Clinton seconded. Motion passed unanimously; all members present voted to approve, 9-0. District 8 commissioner seat is vacant. Commissioners Allard, Mitchell, and Neuhaus were absent.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first 10 speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

No Citizen Communication

3. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- a. Chief Animal Services Officer Report
 - o July 2018 Animal Services Report
 - o July 2018 Austin Animal Center Report

4. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Update, Discussion, and Possible Action on the Practice of Declawing Cats.

- b. Update, Discussion, and Possible Action regarding the Dog Enrichment Workgroup. Chair Lundstedt lauded the work of the group and the new efforts for enrichment. Commissioner Craig Nazor moved that the topic be removed from the agenda and the workgroup disbanded; Commissioner Jarl seconded his motion. Motion passed unanimously; all members present voted to approve, 9-0. District 8 commissioner seat is vacant. Commissioners Allard, Mitchell, and Neuhaus were absent.

5. NEW BUSINESS

None.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioner Nazor proposed setting a Public Hearing on the practice of Declawing Cats for the September 10 meeting. Commissioner Means seconded the motion, which passed unanimously; all members present voted to approve, 9-0. District 8 commissioner seat is vacant. Commissioners Allard, Mitchell, and Neuhaus were absent.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Lundstedt adjourned the meeting at 6:26 p.m. without objection.