



**REGULAR MEETING
of the ANIMAL ADVISORY COMMISSION
OCTOBER 10, 2022, 6 P.M.
AUSTIN CITY HALL, Room 1101
301 W. Second St.
AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701**

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Public comment will be allowed in-person or remotely via telephone. Speakers may only register to speak on an item once either in-person or remotely and will be allowed up to three minutes to provide their comments. Registration no later than noon the day before the meeting is required for remote participation by telephone. To register to speak remotely, call or email Belinda Hare, by Sunday noon, October 9, at phone 512-978-0565, or email Belinda.hare@austintexas.gov. Please know emails work best.

CURRENT COMMISSIONERS

Craig Nazor, Chair
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Jo Anne Norton
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Kristen Hassen, Parliamentarian
Dr. Amanda Bruce

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Dr. Paige Nilson

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

PUBLIC 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. Speakers for specific agenda items may sign up prior to the meeting or in person at the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the Animal Advisory Commission Regular Meeting on September 12, 2022.

STAFF BRIEFINGS

2. Presentation by Don Bland and/or Jason Garza regarding Austin Animal Center and Animal Services Reports
3. Presentation by Don Bland regarding AAC Staffing and Services
4. Update on Animal Services Audit, by Keith Salas, Assistant City Auditor

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5. Presentation by Parliamentarian regarding Roberts Rules of Order
6. Presentation by Austin Pets Alive! regarding Monthly Report

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

7. Discussion and Possible Action Concerning the Congress Avenue Bridge Bat Colony, presentation by Dr. Merlin Tuttle, Bat Conservancy
8. Discussion and Possible Action on Adopting Bird-Safe Building Ordinances, presentation by Dr. Chris Sheppard, the Director of the Glass Collisions Program at the American Bird Conservancy
9. Discussion and Possible Action on AAC Monthly Reporting of Data
10. Discussion and Possible Action on Transferring Austin Animal Center Animals to Other Communities
11. Discussion and Possible Action on Inclusion of Animal Services in the City of Austin next Five-Year Strategic Plan
12. Discussion and Possible Action on City's Use of Cooling Centers
13. Discussion and Possible Action on Closing Intake at the Austin Animal Center
14. Discussion and Possible Action on Procedures for Returning Lost Dogs to Owners.
15. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Pet Services Available to Citizens

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

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