



**ANIMAL ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
JULY 8, 2024**

The Animal Advisory Commission convened in a regular meeting on July 8, 2024, at 301 W. 2nd St in Austin, Texas.

Parliamentarian Nemer called the Animal Advisory Commission Meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Commissioners in Attendance:

Nancy Nemer, Parliamentarian, Travis County
Luis Herrera, D6
Laura Hoke, Mayor's Appointee
Paige Nilson, D4
Lotta Smagula, D1

Commissioners in Attendance Remotely:

Ann Linder, Vice Chair, D3
Beatriz Dulzaides, D2
Sarah Huddleston, D9

Commissioners Absent:

Ryan Clinton, Chair, Travis County
Amanda Bruce, D10
Whitney Holt, D5
Larry Tucker, D7

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

Rochelle Vickery – Spay and Neuter, Found Dogs

Jeff Gjertson – Found Dogs, Shelter Intake

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the Animal Advisory Commission Regular Meeting on June 10, 2024.

The minutes from the meeting of June 10, 2024, were approved on Vice Chair Linder's motion, Commissioner Smagula's second on an 8-0 vote. Chair Clinton, Commissioners Bruce, Holt, and Tucker were absent.

STAFF BRIEFINGS

2. Staff briefing regarding monthly reports provided by the Animal Service Center.
The presentation was made by Don Bland, Chief Animal Services Officer, Austin Animal Services.

Commissioner Dulzaides requested that information on the number of animals microchipped this year be provided by Animal Services staff.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

3. Presentation by Austin Pets Alive! regarding license agreement reports.
The presentation was made by Stephanie Bilbro, Austin Pets Alive! Director of Operations.
4. Discussion of the Animal Services strategic plan and planning process.
A presentation was made by Stephanie Hayden-Howard, Assistant City Manager.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEM

5. Approve a recommendation to Council on animals at City of Austin Cooling Centers.
The motion to approve the recommendation to Council on animals at City of Austin Cooling Centers was approved on Commissioner Smagula's motion, Commissioner Herrera's second on an 8-0 vote. Chair Clinton, Commissioners Bruce, Holt, and Tucker were absent.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

Parliamentarian Nemer adjourned the meeting at 7:11 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved at the XX, meeting on Commissioner XX's motion, Commissioner XX's second on a X-X vote.