REGULAR MEETING OF THE ANIMAL ADVISORY COMMISSION
July 14, 2025, 6:00 p.m.
Austin City Hall, Room 1101
301 West 2nd St
Austin, Texas 78701

Some members of the Animal Advisory Commission may be participating by videoconference. The meeting may be viewed online at: http://www.austintexas.gov/page/watch-atxn-live

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 or in person, contact Christi Vitela at christi.vitela@austintexas.gov or (512) 974-2792.

CURRENT COMMISSIONERS:

Ryan Clinton, Travis County
Nancy Nemer, Travis County
Beatriz Dulzaides, D2
Ann Linder, Vice Chair, D3
Dr. Paige Nilson, D4
Whitney Holt, D5
Jo Anne Norton, Parliamentarian, D7
Erin Ferguson, D8
Sarah Huddleston, D9
David Loignon, D10
Koby Ahmed, Mayor

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.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the Animal Advisory Commission Regular Meeting on April 14, 2025.
2. Approve the minutes of the Animal Advisory Commission Regular Meeting on June 9, 2025.

STAFF BRIEFINGS

3. Staff briefing regarding monthly reports provided by Rolando Fernandez, Interim Chief Animal Services Officer, Animal Services Office.
4. Staff briefing regarding the Animal Services Office's hot weather protocol by Rolando Fernandez, Interim Chief Animal Services Officer, Animal Services Office.
5. Staff briefing regarding the Animal Services Office's Three Year Public Relations Plan by Rolando Fernandez, Interim Chief Animal Services Officer, Animal Services Office.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

6. Presentation by Stephanie Bilbro, Director of Operations, Austin Pets Alive! regarding license agreement reports.
7. Discussion of the Bond Election priorities as it relates to the delivery of animal services.

WORKING GROUP UPDATES

8. Update from the Good Fix Marketing Working Group regarding their meetings and work completed so far.

WORKING GROUP RECOMMENDATIONS

9. Community Cats Processing Working Group recommendation regarding animal welfare policies and budget priorities.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

10. Approve a Recommendation to Council regarding animal welfare policies and budget priorities.
11. Conduct officer election for Chair.
12. Approve the Animal Advisory Commission 2024-2025 Annual Internal Review.
13. Approve the dissolution of the Long Distance Adoption Working Group.
14. Approve the formation of a Strategic Plan Working Group to advise staff on targets in support of the Animal Services Office Strategic Plan.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

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