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## Animal Shelter Advisory Committee

### Agenda

May 12, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Teleconference Phone Number: 1 (915) 213-4096

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### TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF OPEN MEETINGS LAWS DUE TO EMERGENCY

The Texas Governor temporarily suspended specified provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act to allow telephonic or videoconference meetings and to avoid congregate settings in physical locations.

Notice is hereby given that a Regular Meeting of the Animal Shelter Advisory Committee will be conducted on May 12, 2021 at 6:00pm.

In compliance with the requirement that the City provide two-way communication for members of the public, members of the public may communicate with the Animal Shelter Advisory Committee during public comment, and regarding agenda items by calling the following number: 1 (915) 213-4096

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The public is strongly encouraged to sign up to speak on items on this agenda no later than one day prior to the meeting date by emailing their name, the phone number they will be calling from, and the topic they will speak on to Maribel Karisch at [karischmx@elpasotexas.gov](mailto:karischmx@elpasotexas.gov) or by calling (915) 212-8707.

**The following members of the Animal Shelter Advisory Committee will be present via video conference:**

Alexsandra Annello, Barbara Candelaria, Sandra DiFrancesco, Elvira Stephanie Frias, Mary Kay Rosenkranz, Julie Rutledge, Celeste Varela, Regina Wagner. Gina Gagen, Karen Polanco and Patricia Riley

**A quorum of the Animal Shelter Advisory Committee must participate in the meeting.**

1. Call to Order - Establish Quorum
2. Discussion and action on approval of minutes for April 14, 2021.

**Ramon Herrera – Interim Director**

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3. Reports - Support the City of El Paso's Initiative to Reach and Sustain a 90% or Greater Live-Release Rate by 2020.
  - A. Chair Report
  - B. El Paso Animal Services April update and statistics – R. Herrera
  - C. El Paso County Animal Welfare Department April update- L. Combs
  - D. ASAC Committee Reports
    - a. By Laws Committee – C. Varela
    - b. Strategic Plan Committee – S. Francesco
4. Call to the Public
5. Main Agenda
  - A. Promote Education and Engagement of Animal Health and Welfare
    - A1. Presentation on the update of the House and Senate bills in the Texas Legislature.- G. Gagen
  - B. Research and Advise on Effective Ordinances and Policies to Improve Overall Health, Welfare and Safety for Animals
    - B1. Discussion and action on contact and follow-up with TXDOT and EPAS/ESD on scanning dead animals removed from the roads- J. Rutledge and K. Polanco
    - B2. Discussion and action on ordinances related to hitting an animal with a vehicle - K. Polanco
  - C. Engage ASAC members on best practices in Animal Health & Welfare
    - C1. Discussion and action on revisions to ASAC by laws – J. Rutledge
    - C2. Discussion and action on revisions to ASAC strategic plan – J. Rutledge
6. Future Agenda Items
7. Adjournment - Next Meeting Scheduled June 9, 2021.

Language interpreters will be provided for this meeting upon request. Requests must be made to the Department of Animal Services at a minimum of 24 hours prior to the date and time of the meeting. Copies of this Notice/Agenda will be provided in Braille, large print or audiotape upon request. Requests must be made a minimum of 48 hours prior to the date and time of the meeting.

Posted May 7, 2021 by Maribel Karisch

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