



El Paso Animal Services

MAYOR
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Animal Shelter Advisory Committee
Minutes
January 14, 2021

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1. Call to Order- Establish Quorum

A meeting of the Animal Shelter Advisory Committee was held virtually by Chair Julie Rutledge at 6.05 PM. Quorum was not established

Board Members	Present	Absent
Regina Wagner		X
Celeste Varela		X
Sandra DiFrancesco	X	
Mary Kay Rosenkranz		X
Vacant		
Barbara Candelaria		X
Gina Gagen	X	
Elvira Stephanie Frias	X	
Vacant		
Julie Rutledge	X	
Alexandra Annello	X	

Animal Services staff present: Paula Powell, Misty Monteros, Michele Anderson Ramon Herrera, and Adan Parra

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2. Approval of Minutes

Discussion and action on approval of minutes for December 9, 2020.
Quorum was not established

3. Reports-Support the City of El Paso's Initiative to Reach and Sustain a 90% or Greater Live-Release Rate by 2020

A. Department of Animal Services December 2020 update, statistics and Annual Report.

Paula Powell presented her year-end report and Michele Anderson presented the PAWCAST. The ASAC congratulated Paula for all her work and contributions to Animal Services, as this was her last meeting. Ramon Herrera spoke of Paula's team approach and explained that he would continue to honor her legacy.

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B. El Paso County Animal Welfare Department December 2020 and Annual Update

Lauralei congratulated Paula and wished her well on her new endeavor. She also mentioned that in 2019, 3,300 animals were impounded at Animal Services compared to 1,100 in 2020.

4. Call to the public

None

5. Main Agenda

A. Research and Advise on Effective Ordinances and Policies to Improve Overall, Health, Welfare and Safety for Animals

A1. Discussion and action on election of officers, chair and vice-chair for the 2021 calendar year.

Elections will take place next month due to no quorum

A2. Discussion and action on Community Involvement and Responsibilities related to stray animals and means of getting them back to their owner.

No Discussion

A3 Discussion on draft of ASAC Annual Report to the Mayor and City Council.

Julie Rutledge mentioned that after the annual report is completed, it will be submitted to Mayor and City Council in March.

6. Future Agenda Item

-Election of Officers

7. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:05PM

Alexandra Anello motioned to adjourn; Sandra DiFrancesco seconded

Prepared by: Maribel Karisch

Approved by A.S.A.C. Chairman

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