

#### **Department of Animal Services**

## Animal Shelter Advisory Committee

Minutes May 9, 2018

# 1. Call to Order - Establish Quorum

A meeting of the Animal Shelter Advisory Committee was held in the Humane Society of El Paso conference room and was called to order at 5:13pm by Chair Ken Margherio.

Board Member	Present	Absent
Barbara Candelaria	X	
Amanda Herrera		X
Dr. Guy Johnsen	X	
Ken Margherio	X	
Charlie Moreno	X	
Claudia Ordaz Perez	X	
Edith Prado	X	
Maria Ramirez		X
Julie Rutledge	X	
G. Eric Stoltz	X	
Regina Wagner	X	

Animal Services staff present: Paula Powell, Misty Monteros, Ramon Herrera and Nicole Cote.

Public present: List of attendees available upon request.

#### 2. Approval of Minutes

Discussion and action on approval of the April 11, 2018 minutes.

Charlie Moreno motioned to accept the April 11, 2018 minutes; Julie Rutledge seconded; all members voted in favor, none opposed, and motion passed unanimously.

## 3. <u>Director's Report</u>

Paula Powell began her report by announcing the live release rate for April, 87.44%. She briefly reviewed live release rate comparatives and the shelter animals count via a PowerPoint presentation before introducing the PawCast. Paula closed her report with a status update on the outdoor dog track, dog play park and dog runs. Animal Protection Officers are now working 8-hour shifts, and any graveyard calls will be handled on stand-by. This will allow more



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officers to be available during the morning and afternoon shifts, providing more engagement with the community.

#### 4. Call to the Public

The following members of the public commented: Phillip Laign and Rose Macias.

5. <u>Discussion and Action on ASAC Strategic Plan (tabled from 04/11/18)</u> Nicole Cote continued to facilitate the strategic planning process, utilizing a PowerPoint presentation to review the vision, mission, services, key focus areas and strategic objectives submitted by members, identifying those in common and creating new objectives out of those that did not have anything in common.

The ASAC Strategic Plan objectives were as follows:

- Support the City of El Paso's initiative to reach and sustain a 90% or greater live release rate by 2020.
- Engage ASAC members on best practices in Animal Health and Welfare.
- Promote education and engagement in Animal Health and Welfare.
- Research and advise on effective ordinances and policies to improve overall health, welfare and safety for animals.
- Work in concert with animal welfare organizations, El Paso Animal Services, EPVMA and regional governmental entities to develop and recommend proactive and progressive disease control measures.
- Foster the development and collaboration of partners to meet our mission.
- Advance population stability practices in our community.

Dr. Guy Johnsen moved to accept the ASAC Strategic Plan objectives; Claudia Ordaz Perez seconded; all members voted in favor, none opposed, and motion passed unanimously.

#### 6. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:39pm.

Regina Wagner made a motion to adjourn; Claudia Ordaz Perez seconded; all members voted in favor, none opposed, and motion passed unanimously.

Prepared by: Misty Monteros

Approved by ASAC Chairman: