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NOTICE OF MEETING
CITY OF GARLAND, TEXAS

Animal Services Advisory Committee
Work Session Room of City Hall
William E. Dollar Municipal Building
200 N. Fifth Street
Garland, Texas
July 25, 2025
1:00 PM

A meeting of the Animal Services Advisory Committee of the City of Garland, Texas will be held at the aforementioned location, date, and time to discuss and consider the following agenda items.

AGENDA:

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Consider approval of minutes from the May 30, 2025 meeting**

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Persons who desire to address the Committee on any item on the agenda are allowed three minutes to speak.

3. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

- a. Introduction of the New Animal Services Director**

Justin Craft will introduce Mr. Art Munoz as the new Animal Services Director.

- b. Review of Shelter Operations**

Justin Craft, Animal Services Manager, will provide an update on shelter operations, including a review of intakes, surrenders, adoptions and service calls.

- c. Review of Animal Services Community Outreach Programs**

Alberto Maldonado, Outreach Coordinator, will provide an update on the department's public outreach initiative, including public events, educational opportunities and community partnerships.

4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

5. ADJOURN

NOTE: A quorum of the City Council may be in attendance and may or may not participate in the discussions of the Committee or board.

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MINUTES

A meeting of the Animal Services Advisory Committee of the City of Garland, Texas will be held on May 30, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. at 200 N. Fifth Street, in the Work Session Room, Garland, Texas.

Present: Art Munoz, Board Member
Bill Dunn, Chair
Oswaldo Rodriguez, Board Member
Deana Seigler, Board Member
Anita Rushlau, Board Member
Ashton Tassin, Board Member

Absent: David Fuentes, Board Member

Staff Present: Justin Craft, Animal Services Manager
Uriel Villalpando, Interim Animal Services Director
Adrian Olivarez, Management Services Coordinator

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a.** Consider the approval of the April 11, 2025 meeting minutes.

Dr. Dunn made a motion to approve the minutes. April Smith seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion carried.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Persons who desire to address the Committee on any item on the agenda are allowed three minutes to speak. Testimony may be held until the item is considered or given at the beginning of any committee meeting. Invited testimony may also occur at any time, subject to a request of the Member of the Committee and with the approval of the Committee Chairperson.

Rober Kaaa and Rhonda Spence provided public comments.

3. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

- a.** **Review of Shelter Operations**

Justin Craft, Animal Services Manager, provided an update on shelter operations, including a review of intakes, surrenders, adoptions and service calls.

- Visitors. 1,318
- Calls for service. 3,328
- Calls for stray animals. 1,502
- Cruelty calls. 32
- Animals seized. 1
- Minutes average response time for Priority 1 calls. 25.91
- Live Release Rate. March- April 98.47
- Animals reclaimed by owners. 160
- Animals adopted. 247
- Animals pulled by Rescue Groups. 363
- TNR sterilizations. 87
- SNR sterilizations 111

- Dogs deemed dangerous. 1

b. Review of Animal Services Community Outreach Programs

Mary Fuentes, Community Outreach Coordinator, provided an update on the department's public outreach including public events, educational opportunities and community partnerships.

Mary Fuentes spoke about the Mega adoption event, Puppy party on the square, Trunk N Hunt, Reading to pets, Pet paintings and Kitten academy.

c. Pet Limits

Staff provided an overview of the current enforcement tools outlined in Chapter 22 of the City Ordinance, presented a comparative analysis of pet ownership limits regulations in neighboring cities, and provided recommendations to the Animal Services Advisory Committee (ASAC) for potential amendments to the ordinance regarding pet limits.

d. Wildlife Trapping

Staff provided an overview of the trapping ordinance, presented a comparative analysis of wildlife trapping regulations in neighboring cities, and provided recommendations to the Animal Services Advisory Committee (ASAC) for potential amendments to the ordinance regarding wildlife trapping.

4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

No future agenda items were discussed.

5. ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned at 1:54 p.m.

Submitted By:

Uriel Villalpando, Animal Services Director

Adrian Olivarez, Secretary