



Animal Shelter Advisory Committee 8/18/2022

Notice is hereby given of a regular meeting of the Animal Shelter Advisory Committee of the City of San Angelo to be held on August 18, 2022 at 12:00 PM at City Hall – East Mezzanine, 72 W. College Ave., San Angelo, Texas, for the purpose of considering the following agenda items.

1. Call to Order

2. Public Comment

Issues or items that are not on the agenda may be raised by the public at this time. Citizens should speak from the podium, begin by stating their name and limit remarks to less than three minutes. Committee members may request that a discussed item be placed on a future agenda. The Committee takes public comment on all Regular Agenda items during the discussion of those items.

3. Consent Agenda

- a. Consider approving the May 19, 2022 Animal Shelter Advisory Committee regular meeting minutes (Morgan Chegwidden)

4. Regular Agenda

- a. Discussion and possible action on positive rabies specimens for 2022.
- b. Discussion and possible action related to monthly shelter numbers for May 2022 (Presentation made by Assistant Director Neighborhood & Family Services Morgan Chegwidden)
- c. Discussion and possible action related to monthly shelter numbers for June 2022 (Presentation made by Assistant Director Neighborhood & Family Services Morgan Chegwidden)
- d. Discussion and possible action related to monthly shelter numbers for July 2022 (Presentation made by Assistant Director Neighborhood & Family Services Morgan Chegwidden)
- e. Discussion and possible action on Keep Them Home intake diversion initiative

5. Follow Up and Administrative Issues

6. Adjournment

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the above notice of meeting was posted on the bulletin board at the City Hall of the City of San Angelo, Texas, on the 15th day of August 2022, at 10:22 a.m.

Morgan Chegwidden, Assistant Director
Neighborhood & Family Services

All agenda items are subject to action. The Animal Shelter Advisory Committee reserves the right to consider business out of posted order.

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Staff Report



Requestor: Morgan Chegwidden, Assistant Director of Neighborhood Services, Neighborhood and Family Services, 325-657-4224

Meeting Date: August 18, 2022

Item type: Consent Item

Caption:

Consider approving the May 19, 2022 Animal Shelter Advisory Committee regular meeting minutes (Morgan Chegwidden)

Summary/History:

Attached are the draft minutes for the committee's consideration.

Financial Impact:

N/A

Other Information/Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval.

Attachments:

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| 1. | 3a 220818 ASAC Minutes | 3a 220818 ASAC Minutes.docx |
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Presentation:

None

Approvals/Reviews:

Morgan Chegwidden
Theresa James

Created/Initiated
Final Approval



**City of San Angelo, Texas
Animal Shelter Advisory Committee Minutes
May 19, 2022**

Present:

Dr. Victor Schulze, Mayoral Representative
Caitlin Wylie, SMD1
Jen Murphy, SMD2
Sgt. Chris Carpenter, SMD3
Bambi Aker, SMD5
Morgan Chegwidden, SMD6

1. Call to Order/Roll Call to Establish Quorum

With a quorum of the committee members present, Vice-chairperson Caitlin Wylie called the regular meeting Animal Shelter Advisory Committee to order at 12:00 p.m. on May 19, 2022 at City Hall – East Mezzanine, 72 W. College Ave. San Angelo, Texas.

2. Public Comment

No public comment was made.

3. Consent Agenda

- a. Consider approving the June 17, 2021 Animal Shelter Advisory Committee regular meeting minutes.
- b. Consider approving a policy for secure enclosure for dangerous, vicious or nuisance dogs.

MOTION: Committee member Schulze moved for approval of the consent agenda, seconded by Committee member Aker. The motion carried unanimously six (6) ayes to zero (0) nays.

4. Regular Agenda

- a. Consider election of a chairperson and a vice-chairperson to terms ending January 2023.

MOTION: Committee member Murphy moved to nominate committee member Wylie for chairperson and committee member Aker for vice-chairperson, seconded by committee member Carpenter. The motion carried unanimously six (6) ayes to zero (0) nays.

- b. Discussion and possible action related to monthly shelter numbers for February 2022.

A presentation was made by Neighborhood & Family Services Assistant Director Morgan Chegwidden. No action was taken on this item.

- c. Discussion and possible action related to monthly shelter numbers for March 2022.

A presentation was made by Neighborhood & Family Services Assistant Director Morgan Chegwidden. No action was taken on this item.

d. Discussion and possible action related to monthly shelter numbers for April 2022.

A presentation was made by Neighborhood & Family Services Assistant Director Morgan Chegwiddden. No action was taken on this item.

e. Consider adopting the online ambassador program for lost and found pets.

A presentation was made by Neighborhood & Family Services Assistant Director Morgan Chegwiddden. Accepted by consensus.

f. Consider adopting the Dogs Playing for Life program.

A presentation was made by Neighborhood & Family Services Assistant Director Morgan Chegwiddden. Accepted by consensus.

5. Follow Up and Administrative Issues

No issues submitted.

6. Adjournment

MOTION: Committee member Schulze moved for adjournment, seconded by committee member Aker. The motion carried unanimously six (6) ayes to zero (0) nays. The meeting was adjourned at 12:52 p.m.

Staff Report



Requestor: Morgan Chegwiddden, Assistant Director of Neighborhood Services, Neighborhood and Family Services, 325-657-4224

Meeting Date: August 18, 2022

Item type: Regular Item

Caption:

Discussion and possible action on positive rabies specimens for 2022 (Presentation made by Assistant Director Neighborhood & Family Services Morgan Chegwiddden)

Summary/History:

This agenda item serves to update you on the positive rabies specimens that we've collected this year. Two specimens tested positive since our last report.

Specimen 4248*
June 7, 2022
Schleicher County
Skunk

Specimen 4249
June 9, 2022
2700 Field St.
Bat
No human exposure, confirmed dog exposure.
Dogs were current on rabies vaccine, held in home isolation for 45 days

*Outside city limits

Financial Impact:

N/A

Other Information/Recommendation:

No action necessary at this time.

Attachments:

1. 4a 220818 ASAC Rabies 4a 220818 ASAC Rabies.pptx

Presentation:

Yes

Approvals/Reviews:

Morgan Chegwidden
Theresa James

Created/Initiated
Final Approval



Animal Shelter Advisory Committee

August 18, 2022

Positive Rabies

Morgan Chegvidden

Positive Rabies Specimens

- June 7, 2022
- Eldorado, Tx, Schleicher County
- Striped skunks
- Suspected exposure to community cat colony
- Unknown vaccination history
- State is advising since outside city limits

Positive Rabies Specimens

- June 9, 2022
- 2700 Field St.
- Bat
- Confirmed exposure to family dogs x 3
- Current vaccination history
- 45 days home isolation

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Staff Report



Requestor: Morgan Chegwidden, Assistant Director of Neighborhood Services, Neighborhood and Family Services, 325-657-4224

Meeting Date: August 18, 2022

Item type: Regular Item

Caption:

Discussion and possible action related to monthly shelter numbers for May 2022 (Presentation made by Assistant Director Neighborhood & Family Services Morgan Chegwidden)

Summary/History:

403 new animals arrived in the shelter during May 2022. 52 were adopted, 84 were rescue transferred, 72 were redeemed by their owner, 26 were wildlife released and 82 died.

At month end, 399 animals were left in the shelter, 128 were at Concho Valley PAWS and 6 were offsite (home quarantine, medical). Our live release rate was 74.05%.

Financial Impact:

Other Information/Recommendation:

Attachments:

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Presentation:

Approvals/Reviews:

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Theresa James

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August 18, 2022

May 2022 Shelter Numbers

Morgan Chegvidden

May 2022

- 403 new arrivals
- 52 adopted
- 84 transferred
- 72 redeemed by owner
- 26 wildlife released
- 82 deceased
- 399 left in shelter, 128 at Concho Valley PAWS, 6 offsite
- 74.05% released

May 2022

- 82 Deceased
 - 64 Cats
 - 15 Dogs
 - 3 Other

May 2022

- 82 Deceased
 - 71 Sick, injured, failure to thrive
 - 11 Aggressive

May 2022

- Outcomes by Type
 - 26% Adoptions
 - 28% Return to owner
 - 8% Wildlife Released
 - 26% Transfers
 - 12% Deceased

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Meeting Date: August 18, 2022

Item type: Regular Item

Caption:

Discussion and possible action related to monthly shelter numbers for June 2022 (Presentation made by Assistant Director Neighborhood & Family Services Morgan Chegwidden)

Summary/History:

400 new animals arrived in the shelter during June 2022. 142 were adopted, 35 were rescue transferred, 52 were redeemed by their owner, 23 were wildlife released and 137 died. 546 were left in the shelter at month end. Our live release rate was 64.78%.

Financial Impact:

Other Information/Recommendation:

Attachments:

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Presentation:

Approvals/Reviews:

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Theresa James

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August 18, 2022

June 2022 Shelter Numbers

Morgan Chegwidden

June 2022

- 400 new arrivals
- 142 adopted
- 35 transferred
- 52 redeemed by owner
- 23 wildlife released
- 137 deceased
- 546 left in shelter
- 64.78% released

June 2022

- 137 Deceased
 - 85 Cats
 - 51 Dogs
 - 1 Other

June 2022

- 137 Deceased
 - 93 Sick, injured, failure to thrive
 - 44 Aggressive

June 2022

- Outcomes by Type
 - 27% Adoptions
 - 26% Return to owner
 - 8% Wildlife Released
 - 24% Transfers
 - 15% Deceased

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Meeting Date: August 18, 2022

Item type: Regular Item

Caption:

Discussion and possible action related to monthly shelter numbers for July 2022 (Presentation made by Assistant Director Neighborhood & Family Services Morgan Chegwidden)

Summary/History:

325 new animals arrived in the shelter during July 2022. 108 were adopted, 111 were rescue transferred, 71 were redeemed by their owner, 31 were wildlife released and 82 died. 472 were left in the custody at month end. Our live release rate was 79.65%.

Financial Impact:

Other Information/Recommendation:

Attachments:

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Presentation:

Approvals/Reviews:

Morgan Chegwidden
Theresa James

Created/Initiated
Final Approval



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August 18, 2022

July 2022 Shelter Numbers

Morgan Chegvidden

July 2022

- 325 new arrivals
- 108 adopted
- 111 transferred
- 71 redeemed by owner
- 31 wildlife released
- 82 deceased
- 472 left in custody
- 79.65% released

July 2022

- 82 Deceased
 - 55 Cats
 - 26 Dogs
 - 1 Other

July 2022

- 82 Deceased
 - 63 Sick, injured, failure to thrive
 - 19 Aggressive

July 2022

- Outcomes by Type
 - 27% Adoptions
 - 25% Return to owner
 - 7% Wildlife Released
 - 24% Transfers
 - 16% Deceased

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Staff Report



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Meeting Date: August 18, 2022

Item type: Regular Item

Caption:

Discussion and possible action on Keep Them Home intake diversion initiative (Presentation made by Assistant Director Neighborhood & Family Services Morgan Chegwidden)

Summary/History:

San Angelo animal services is experiencing a space crisis with more than four months of housing canines in excess of capacity. This is not unique to our community as most of the nation, particularly the southern United States, is having the same issue. San Angelo's intake has always been high compared to best practices but decreased outcomes is what's creating the current climate.

As a reminder, American Pets Alive! defines the average intake for No Kill cities as 13 - 15 animals per 1,000 people entering the shelter annually. For San Angelo, that would be about 1,400 pets each year. Last year's intake totaled 4,264 and this year we're on track to take in 4,500 animals, or triple best practices.

Although we've considered a number of intake diversion policies to manage this, additional attention is needed. San Angelo is a proudly community of helpers and that contributes to a large amount of shelter intake across the front counter from Good Samaritans. More than 60% of last year's intake was from citizens finding pets and transporting them to the shelter. The remainder was taken in from Animal Services Officers, who have a much higher rate of returning pets to owners. This is a win-win for the community as the pet never enters the shelter and owners avoid the errand of a shelter visit.

We encourage citizens who want to get involved to hold a found pet for 48 hours, get to know their neighbors and keep pets in their home neighborhoods. In a study conducted at City of Dallas animal services, more than 70% of lost pets were found less than one mile from their home. About 40% of pets were found within 400 feet of their front door. Dogs are simply not wandering far from home.

Keeping pets in their home neighborhood is particularly important in target neighborhoods with marginalized citizens who may have a language barrier, transportation issues and a distrust of government. These citizens love their pets as much as the next household but are much less likely to claim their pet after a shelter intake.

Our goal is not to shirk our responsibilities but simply to reserve our limited resources for those animals most in need. Aggressive dogs would be our priority. Sick, injured and neonatal animals also get top

attention. We've shared this initiative via social and traditional media and will continue to do so through the space crisis and our busy season.

Financial Impact:

N/A

Other Information/Recommendation:

Attachments:

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Presentation:

Approvals/Reviews:

Morgan Chegwiddden

Created/Initiated



...by knowing
your neighbors.

San Angelo Animal Services
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70% of lost dogs
are found **less than**
1 mile from home

Source: Frontiers in Veterinary Science



KEEP THEM HOME

Keep Families Together



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In most cases, **lost dogs**
simply aren't going very
far from home.

We all want the same
thing: for them to be
reunited with their families

Kristen Hassen



KEEP THEM HOME

Keep Families Together





KEEP THEM HOME

Keep Families Together



...by supporting
owned pets.

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**98% of residents
with pets** consider
pets to be important
members of the family

Source: HABRI



KEEP THEM HOME

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Solve our space crisis by
housing dogs for 48 hours
before delivering to the
shelter

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KEEP THEM HOME

Keep Families Together

