



Animal Shelter Advisory Committee 10/20/2022

Notice is hereby given of a regular meeting of the Animal Shelter Advisory Committee of the City of San Angelo to be held on October 20, 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 August 18, 2022 Animal Shelter Advisory Committee regular meeting minutes (Morgan Chegwidden)

4. Regular Agenda

- a. Discussion and possible action related to monthly shelter numbers for August 2022 (Presentation made by Assistant Director Neighborhood & Family Services Morgan Chegwidden)
- b. Discussion and possible action related to monthly shelter numbers for September 2022 (Presentation made by Assistant Director Neighborhood & Family Services Morgan Chegwidden)
- c. Discussion and possible action related to annual shelter numbers for fiscal year 2021-22 (Presentation made by Assistant Director Neighborhood & Family Services followed by Morgan Chegwidden)
- d. Discussion and possible action related to the enforcement of the local requirement spay/neuter cats and dogs (Presentation made by Assistant Director Neighborhood & Family Services followed by Morgan Chegwidden)

5. Follow Up and Administrative Issues

- a. Discussion and possible action related to 2023 meeting dates

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 17th day of October 2022, at 8:52 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: October 20, 2022

Item type: Consent Item

Caption:

Consider approving the August 18, 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 221020 ASAC August Minutes | 3a 221020 ASAC August 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
August 18, 2022**

Present:

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, Chairperson Caitlin Wylie called the regular meeting Animal Shelter Advisory Committee to order at 12:08 p.m. on August 18, 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 May 19, 2022 Animal Shelter Advisory Committee regular meeting minutes.
- b. Consider approving a policy for secure enclosure for dangerous, vicious or nuisance dogs.

MOTION: Committee member Carpenter moved for approval of the consent agenda, seconded by Committee member Murphy. The motion carried unanimously five (5) ayes to zero (0) nays.

4. Regular Agenda

- a. Discussion and possible action on positive rabies specimens for 2022.

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

- b. Discussion and possible action related to monthly shelter numbers for May 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 June 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 July 2022.

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

e. Discussion and possible action on Keep Them Home intake diversion initiative.

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

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 Aker moved for adjournment, seconded by committee member Murphy. The motion carried unanimously five (5) ayes to zero (0) nays. The meeting was adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

Staff Report



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

Meeting Date: October 20, 2022

Item type: Regular Item

Caption:

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

Summary/History:

337 new animals arrived in the shelter during August 2022. 111 were adopted, 114 were rescue transferred, 74 were redeemed by their owner, 56 were wildlife released and 69 died. 386 were left in the custody at month end. Our live release rate was 83.73%.

Financial Impact:

Other Information/Recommendation:

Attachments:

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| 1. | 4a 221020 ASAC August | 4a 221020 ASAC August.pptx |
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Presentation:

Approvals/Reviews:

Morgan Chegwidden
Theresa James

Created/Initiated
Final Approval



Animal Shelter Advisory Committee

October 20, 2022

August 2022 Shelter Numbers

Morgan Chegvidden

August 2022

- 337 new arrivals
- 111 adopted
- 114 transferred
- 74 redeemed by owner
- 56 wildlife released
- 69 deceased
- 386 left in custody
- 83.73% released

August 2022

- 69 Deceased
 - 53 Cats
 - 13 Dogs
 - 3 Other

August 2022

- 69 Deceased
 - 58 Sick, injured, failure to thrive
 - 11 Aggressive

August 2022

- Outcomes by Type
 - 27% Adoptions
 - 24% Return to owner
 - 8% Wildlife Released
 - 25% Transfers
 - 16% Deceased

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Staff Report



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

Meeting Date: October 20, 2022

Item type: Regular Item

Caption:

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

Summary/History:

241 new animals arrived in the shelter during September 2022. 120 were adopted, 55 were rescue transferred, 68 were redeemed by their owner, 34 were wildlife released and 6 died. 338 were left in the custody at month end. Our live release rate was 97.88%.

Financial Impact:

Other Information/Recommendation:

Attachments:

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Presentation:

Approvals/Reviews:

Morgan Chegwidden

Created/Initiated



Animal Shelter Advisory Committee

October 20, 2022

September 2022 Shelter Numbers

Morgan Chegvidden

September 2022

- 241 new arrivals
- 120 adopted
- 55 transferred
- 68 redeemed by owner
- 34 wildlife released
- 6 deceased
- 338 left in custody
- 97.88% released

September 2022

- 6 Deceased
 - 2 Cats
 - 2 Dogs
 - 2 Other

September 2022

- 6 Deceased
 - 4 Sick, injured, failure to thrive
 - 2 Aggressive

September 2022

- Outcomes by Type
 - 28% Adoptions
 - 24% Return to owner
 - 8% Wildlife Released
 - 24% Transfers
 - 15% Deceased

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Staff Report



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

Meeting Date: October 20, 2022

Item type: Regular Item

Caption:

Discussion and possible action related to annual shelter numbers for fiscal year 2021-22 (Presentation made by Assistant Director Neighborhood & Family Services followed by Morgan Chegwidden)

Summary/History:

4,034 new animals arrived in the shelter during fiscal year 2021-22. 1,163 were adopted, 1,001 were rescue transferred, 998 were redeemed by their owner, 344 were wildlife released and 614 died. 338 were left in the custody at year end.

Our live release rate was 85.10%.

Financial Impact:

N/A

Other Information/Recommendation:

No action necessary at this time.

Attachments:

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| 1. | 4c 211021 ASAC FY22 | 4c 211021 ASAC FY22.pptx |
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Presentation:

Yes

Approvals/Reviews:

Morgan Chegwidden

Created/Initiated



Animal Shelter Advisory Committee

October 20, 2022

Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Shelter Numbers

Morgan Chegwidden

Fiscal Year 2021-22

- 4,034 new arrivals
- 1,163 adopted
- 1,001 transferred
- 998 redeemed by owner
- 344 wildlife released
- 614 deceased
- 338 left in shelter
- 85.10% released

Fiscal Year 2021-22

- 614 Deceased
 - 407 Cats
 - 189 Dogs
 - 18 Other

Fiscal Year 2021-22

- 614 Deceased
 - 463 Sick, injured, failure to thrive
 - 151 Aggressive

Fiscal Year 2021-22

- Outcomes by Type
 - 28% Adoptions
 - 24% Return to owner
 - 8% Wildlife Released
 - 24% Transfers
 - 15% Deceased

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Staff Report



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

Meeting Date: October 20, 2022

Item type: Regular Item

Caption:

Discussion and possible action related to the enforcement of the local requirement spay/neuter cats and dogs (Presentation made by Assistant Director Neighborhood & Family Services followed by Morgan Chegwiddden)

Summary/History:

The city's animal services division recently advocated for change in the application of the spay/neuter ordinance 3.01.012 for San Angelo's pets.

Adopted in October 2015, San Angeloans are required to spay or neuter their pet cats and dogs over 4 months of age at their expense. Although there can be exceptions (the fragile health of the pet does not warrant undergoing surgery, etc.), most families must invest in their pet's long-term health or be subject to citations.

Our prior practice was to educate citizens on the requirement to spay/neuter and refer families to low-cost options, such as Concho Valley PAWS' SNIP voucher program. We'd prefer pet owners avoid court fees and instead invest in their pet. After a 10 days' grace period, we'd follow up with the citizen to collect proof of compliance and write a citation if no progress was made. With FY22's large influx of canines under 6 months of age entering the shelter, we had to make a change.

Starting August 16, 2022, citizens we've interacted with who've failed to prove compliance will receive citations for failure to spay/neuter. Instead of animal services officers calling and knocking on doors, we've been approved for a new process where violations are issued via mail. Citizens must appear before municipal court like any other class C misdemeanor. There, they may plead guilty, not guilty or no contest and are assessed fines and court costs. Of course, all of this can be avoided by instead spaying/neutering their pet.

We encourage citizens to take advantage of low-cost spay/neuter services offered in San Angelo. Pet owners may visit conchovalleypaws.org/snip today to avoid costly fines and invest in the long term health of your pet. With increased participation in such programs, we can continue lifesaving programming for San Angelo's pets.

Financial Impact:

None

Other Information/Recommendation:

Attachments:

1. San Angelo, TX Code of Ordinances

San Angelo, TX Code of Ordinances.pdf

Presentation:

Approvals/Reviews:

Morgan Chegwidden
Theresa James

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Sec. 3.01.012 - Spay or neuter required

All unaltered dogs and cats over four months of age kept, harbored, or maintained within the city limits must be spayed/neutered or their owner shall obtain a breeder's permit under this chapter.

(Ordinance adopted 10-6-15)

Sec. 3.01.013 - Exceptions to spay or neuter requirement

Section 3.01.012 of this chapter shall not apply to:

- (1) Animals under four months of age.
- (2) Breeders are exempt with a current breeder permit and veterinarian health statement that verifies a microchip with number.
- (3) Animals where a licensed veterinarian certifies that the dog or cat should not be spayed/neutered for health reasons or is permanently nonfertile.
- (4) Competition and show animals may be exempt with the proper documentation to demonstrate an animal's activity.
- (5) Service animals for law enforcement, rescue and disabled may be exempt.
- (6) Animals transferred to another animal shelter or qualified rescue organization that provides an application to the city agreeing to follow all state and local laws.

(Ordinance adopted 10-6-15)

Staff Report



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

Meeting Date: October 20, 2022

Item type: Regular Item

Caption:

Discussion and possible action related to 2023 meeting dates

Summary/History:

To comply with state health code 823, the animal shelter advisory committee must meet at least three times annually. Staff recommends meeting four times in calendar year 2023. Proposed dates include:

- January 19, 2023
- April 20, 2023
- August 17, 2023
- October 19, 2023

As provided in the bylaws, additional meetings may be called by the chairperson.

Financial Impact:

N/A

Other Information/Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval.

Attachments:

Presentation:

Yes

Approvals/Reviews:

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