

SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS*

**KERN COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT
ANIMAL SERVICES COMMISSION**

**Kern County Administrative Building
1115 Truxtun Ave., Bakersfield, CA 93301
3rd Floor, Multipurpose Room**

January 19th, 2022– 6:00p.m.

A. ROLL CALL: The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m.
Commissioners Present:

Mr. Blackburn – Chairperson
Ms. Geary – Vice Chairperson
Ms. Christopher - Commissioner

Commissioners Excused:

Ms. Taggart - Commissioner
Mr. Sannappa - Commissioner
Mr. Couch – Supervisor

Staff Present:

Nick Cullen – Director, Kern County Animal Services
Jeremy McNutt- Deputy County Counsel, Kern County
Berkeley Hanley - Community Engagement Coordinator - Kern
county Animal Services
Amber Chrissakis - Volunteer OSS, Kern County Animal Services

[When names appear in parenthesis, the motion initiating action on the agenda item was made by the first Commissioner named and seconded by the second Commissioner named.]

B. APPROVAL OF SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS

1. November 17th, 2021 - Regular Meeting - Approve

Motion to Receive and File (*Geary/Christopher*) - All in favor

C. CONSENT AGENDA:

These agenda items before the Animal Services Commission (Commission) may be acted upon with one motion if no member of the Commission or audience wishes to comment or ask questions.

1. NONE

D. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons to address the Commission on any matter not on this agenda but under the jurisdiction of the Commission. Commissioners may respond briefly to statements made or questions posed. They may ask a question for clarification, make a referral to staff for factual information or request staff to report back to the Commission at a later meeting. Also, the Commission may act to direct the staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda. Please state your name and address for the record before making your presentation. **SPEAKERS ARE LIMITED TO TWO MINUTES.**

Heard from Cathy Cornell concerning spay/neuter enforcement.

Heard from Sheryl Doeckel concerning dumped dogs.

Heard from Natasha concerning stray dogs.

Heard from Jeanne Renniger concerning stray dogs.

Heard from Ms. Cervantez concerning stray dogs.

Heard from Sundee Martineau concerning breeding.

Heard from Steve Laird concerning the dog problem.

Heard from Vicki Thrasher concerning the amount of spay/neuter surgeries done and vaccines given by Critters Without Litters.

Heard from Cecilia Provensal concerning more services and animal education in Kern County.

Heard from Michael Najeera concerning the amount of people in attendance.

Heard from Daisy concerning dumped dogs.

Heard from Carrie Zannovich concerning backyard breeding.

Heard from Stacey concerning funding for Critters.

E. STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS OR REPORTS

1. DIRECTOR'S MONTHLY REPORT – Receive and file

Heard from Director Cullen concerning the department's current events and statistics from the Director's report. Director Cullen answers questions from the public regarding things discussed during this agenda item.

Heard from Commissioner Geary concerning an update on filling the Veterinarian position.

Heard from Commissioner Christopher concerning Snip Bus procedures.

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F. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Heard from Commissioner Christopher concerning Have a Heart's spay/neuter events.

Heard from Commissioner Blackburn concerning a ride along he went on with some rescuers.

G. OLD BUSINESS:

1. STAFF REFERRALS

NONE

2. UPDATE ON AKC REUNITE FUNDRAISING EFFORTS

Heard from Commissioner Blackburn with an update from Janice Anderson.

3. STATUS ON ORDINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE REVISIONS

Director Cullen discussed the status of the ordinance subcommittee revisions.

H. NEW BUSINESS:

NONE

I. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn (*Geary/Christopher*) – All in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

The next Animal Control Commission meeting is scheduled for:

February 16th, 2022
6:00 p.m.

Attest:



Gary Blackburn
Chairperson

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