

**SAN FRANCISCO COMMISSION OF
ANIMAL CONTROL & WELFARE
Meeting Minutes October 14, 2021**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Present: Nina Irani; Jane Tobin; Michael Angelo Torres; Iris Chan, Annemarie Fortier; Irina Ozernoy, Brian Van Horn, DVM; Shari O'Neill, DVM, SF ACC

Absent: Lisa Wayne, SF RPD; Joe Majeski, SFPD

2. General Public Comment:

- There were no comments provided by the public.

3. Approval of Draft Minutes from September 2021 Meeting

- Meeting minutes were approved as amended.

4. Chairperson's and Commissioners' Reports

- A. Chairperson Tobin reported that Supervisor Ronen's Office had been contacted and invited to the November meeting, and that the November meeting's presentation might be of interest to other Supervisors.

5. New Business

A. Emergency and Disaster Preparedness for Animals (Discussion Item)

- SF ACC Chief Shelter Veterinarian O'Neill presented on disaster and other emergency preparedness for companion animals and their guardians; and provided an overview of previous SF ACC responses to emergencies.
- Commissioners discussed cohabitation shelters, Red Cross emergency shelters, and organizing around disaster preparedness on local and national levels.
- There were no comments provided by the public on this agenda item.

6. Old Business

A. Reporting from SF Animal Care and Control (Discussion Item)

- SF ACC Chief Shelter Veterinarian O'Neill provided an update on current operations in the shelter, and the number of animals currently in the shelter, being fostered, and up for adoption.
- Commissioners discussed the job hiring status of open SF ACC positions, the number of small animals currently in the shelter, and the shortage of emergency veterinary services locally and nationally.
- There were no comments provided by the public on this agenda item.

B. Commission Governance (Discussion/Action Item)

- Commissioner Torres discussed and presented on the *Resolutions Making Findings to Allow Teleconferenced Meetings Under California Government Code Section 54953(e)* which, if adopted, allows public bodies to continue to meet remotely during the current state of emergency.
- There were no comments provided by the public on this agenda item.
- Commissioners voted unanimously in favor of the Resolution.

7. Items to be put on Calendar for Future Commission Meetings

- A. Canine Grooming Academy Presentation (New Business)
B. Good Samaritan Award (New Business)
C. On-going SF ACC Reporting (Old Business)
D. Commissioners' Workplan Status Reports (Old Business)
E. Teleconferenced Meeting Resolution (Commission Governance)
F. Chairperson Irani announced that any agenda items for the November 18th meeting should be submitted by Friday, November 12th. The agenda, and any supporting documents, will be posted by Monday evening, November 15th.

8. Adjournment (approx. 7:00PM)