

ORDINANCE NO. 2001-052

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL

ON DATE OF DEC 18 2001

AN ORDINANCE ADDING CHAPTER 2.86 TO THE SACRAMENTO CITY CODE ESTABLISHING THE ANIMAL CARE SERVICES CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO:

SECTION 1.

Chapter 2.86 is hereby added to the Sacramento City Code, to read as follows:

Chapter 2.86

ANIMAL CARE SERVICES CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

2.86.010 Committee established.

The City of Sacramento Animal Care Services Citizens Advisory Committee is hereby established.

2.86.020 Definitions.

As used in this chapter, the following words and phrases shall have the meaning given them in this section, unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

"City" means the City of Sacramento.

"City council" means the city council of the City of Sacramento.

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"Committee" means the Sacramento Animal Care Services Citizens Advisory Committee.

"Mayor" means the mayor of the City of Sacramento.

2.86.030 Purposes of Committee.

The Committee is established for the purpose of providing advice and recommendations to the Mayor and City Council on strategies and policies designed to ensure and enhance animal care services provided by the City.

2.86.040 Powers and duties of Committee.

The powers and duties of the Committee shall be as follows:

A. To provide advisory recommendations to the Mayor and City Council on strategies, policies, and programs designed to assure quality care for the animals housed at the City's Animal Care Services Center, increase awareness of animals available for adoption at the Center, increase awareness of the importance of spay/neuter of animals, assist in soliciting input from the community relating to use of unclaimed spay/neuter deposits, educate the community regarding the humane treatment of animals, and other matters related to City's animal care responsibilities.

B. To provide a forum for public discussion of the City's efforts to bring about positive change and improvements at the Animal Care Services Center;

C. To serve as a liaison to the Mayor, Council, and City staff on behalf of the community in matters related to City's animal care services.

2.86.050 Committee Membership.

The Committee shall be comprised of seven (7) members, appointed by the mayor with approval by a majority of the city council, and subject to the following requirements:

A. Two members shall be animal care professionals, including at least one licensed veterinarian; the other may include but not be limited to a licensed veterinarian, veterinary technician, or a person actively involved in the operation of an animal control/humane society agency. Members appointed pursuant to this subsection A shall be residents of the greater Sacramento metropolitan area.

B. Two members shall be actively involved in the operation of an animal welfare organization. Members appointed pursuant to this subsection B shall be residents of the greater Sacramento metropolitan area.

C. Three members shall represent the community at large, and shall not be animal care professionals or affiliated with an animal welfare organization. Members appointed pursuant to this subsection C shall be residents of the City of Sacramento.

2.86.060 Term of office.

Members of the Committee shall serve a term of three (3) years. In order to establish staggered terms, the initial appointments of members shall include two members for a one-year term, two members for a two-year term, and three members for a three-year term, as determined by the City Clerk based on the drawing of lots. No member shall serve for more than two consecutive terms. In the event a vacancy occurs, the mayor, with the approval of a majority of the city council, shall appoint a successor to serve the unexpired term, subject to the requirements set forth in Section 2.86.050. A member shall hold office until his or her successor has been appointed. A successor appointed to complete an unexpired term shall be eligible to serve up to two consecutive terms in addition to the unexpired term.

2.86.070 Organization and procedures of the Committee.

At its first meeting, and annually thereafter, the Committee shall elect a Committee chairperson and a vice chairperson, who each shall hold office at the pleasure of the Committee. When there is a vacancy in the office of chairperson or vice chairperson, the Committee shall fill that office from among its members. The Committee may adopt rules and procedures for the conduct of its business and may do any other thing necessary or proper to carry out its functions, which may include the formation of one or more subcommittees. Staff services to the Committee shall be provided by one or more city employees designated by the Sacramento City Manager or his or her authorized representative.

2.86.080 Committee meetings.

The Committee shall establish a time and place for regular monthly meetings to be held, which shall be noticed and held in accordance with the provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act (Government Code Sections 54950 et seq). The Committee shall have the authority to notice and hold special meetings in the manner specified by the Ralph M. Brown Act.

2.86.090 Quorum - voting.

A quorum shall be required for the Committee to take any action. A quorum shall be four members. The affirmative vote of a majority of the members present and voting shall be necessary to approve any item.

2.86.100 Stipend

Each member of the Committee shall receive a stipend of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for each Committee or committee meeting attended, not to exceed a total of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for any month.

2.86.110 General requirements.

Unless specifically provided otherwise in this chapter, the general requirements set forth in Chapter 2.40 of this code, governing the appointment of board and committee members, attendance at board and committee meetings, voting, term limits and removal shall apply to the Committee. A member is subject to removal for good cause, neglect of duty or misconduct as provided in City Charter Section 232.

2.86.120 Conflict of interest - Statements of economic interests.

The provisions of Article III of Chapter 2.16 of this code governing conflicts of interest of board and committee members shall apply to the members of the Committee. In addition, all appointees to the Committee shall be required to file statements of economic interests pursuant to a conflict of interest code to be adopted for the Committee.


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