

**SPAC MEETING MINUTES—March 5, 2018**

**South Pasadena Animal Commission:**

*In attendance:*

Erin Fleming (EF), Elisabeth Emirhanian (EE), and Katherine Offenhauser (KO), Cornelia Balogh (CB)  
City Councilmember Diana Mahmud (DM), Council Liaison  
Council Liaison Police Captain Michael Neff (MN), Staff Liaison  
Members of the Public: Beverly Bibber (BB), Veronica Ferrantelli (VF)  
*Absent:* Yvonne Banzali (YB)

**1) CALL TO ORDER**

- The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m by EF

**2) APPROVAL OF MINUTES from February 20, 2018**

- Approval of minutes moved by EE, 2<sup>nd</sup> by KO. Minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

**3) PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- Veronica Farantelli, dog rescuer, thanked the commission for stepping up to get the safe of dogs, cats and rabbits passed in South Pasadena
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**4) LIAISON REPORTS/COMMENTS**

- a. Council Liaison Report:
  - DM had nothing to report
- b. Staff Liaison Report:
  - MN had nothing to report

**5) DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**A. Coyote Discussion**

- There have been a number of regular coyote sightings in the hills. (EE)
- Need to focus on Coyotes on Doggy Days and Cats too (EF)
- SPAC city website has links for info on coyotes.
- DM requested that SPAC develop a coyote policy.
- CB shared the current municipal code 5.6-1.
- *Action Item:*
  - MN will reach out to Project Coyote to get flyers to hand out.
  - MN handed out the Arcadia Coyote Management Plan and SGV Council of Governments presentation. He asked that the commissioners review them before the next meeting.

**B. Be Kind to Animals Week**

- There was a discussion about whether to display the artwork at businesses in South Pasadena. EE had talked to the Chamber of Commerce to get the word out. Although no vote was taken, it was decided that we did not want to pursue it this year.
- Tickets for Huntington Library, Norton Simon Museum and/or Pasadena Historical Museum for goody bags is not a viable option. Organizations are not interested in giving more than a couple of tickets or discounts. (EF)

- Chamber of Commerce also did not think that businesses would be interested in providing discount coupons. (EE)
- DM once again offered some discretionary funds to purchase goodies for bags to be handed out to participants
- Ideas of items to include in the bags: crayons, stickers. CB offered to purchase animal crackers for the bags.
- MN brought the flyers to be handed out.
- BB also brought some flyers and expressed the importance of getting the word out to businesses.
- Suggestions were also made to put flyers at South Pasadena Historical Museum, Senior Center, and Veterinarians.
- **Action Items:**
  - DM will ask the Library to display the art again this year.
  - Pass out the flyers in the next week or two:
    - o EF will cover Fair Oaks East Side.
    - o EE and VF will cover Fair Oaks West Side
    - o CB will cover North Mission
    - o BB will cover South Mission.
  - SPAC to meet on April 16 for BKTA pre-event logistics meeting and April 23 for mounting artwork @ SPPD Emergency Operating Center.

**C. Doggy and Cats Day – April 21**

- EF asked that all the commissioners contribute their time to this event.
- **Action Items:**

EE volunteered to be there from 9 to 12:00

CB 9-2  
 EF 10-2  
 KO 1-3  
 YB 12-3

MN will talk to the Humane Society to do adoptions, vaccines and possibly spay and neuter at the event.

**D. Report Update on Prohibiting the Sale of All Commercially Bred Animals**

- MN reported that Cambridge, Massachusetts is the only known city to ban the sale of all animals.

**E. PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS FOR SPAC Meeting on April 2, 2018**

- o Be Kind to Animals Week
- o Doggy Days (and Cats Too!)
- o Coyote Discussion
- o Update on Ordinance Prohibiting the Sale of All Commercially Bred Animals and Penalty

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Date

04.02.18