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Animal Care Task Force Agenda

The following is the Agenda for the City of Las Cruces Animal Care Task Force for 2/28/2020 at 2:30 p.m., in City Hall, Las Cruces Conference Room (Conference Room 2007-A, 2nd floor, North wing), 700 North Main Street, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

1. Call To Order
2. Approval Of Minutes
January 31, 2020

Documents:

[CLC ANIMAL CARE TASK FORCE_SUMMARY MINUTES 01-31-2020 - DRAFT.PDF](#)

3. Topics - Discussion Only
 1. Community Cats
4. Action Items
5. Adjournment

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2 The following are summary minutes for the meeting of the **City of Las Cruces - Animal Care**
3 **Task Force** for January 31, 2020 at 2:30 p.m., at the City of Las Cruces, City Hall, Conference
4 Room 2007-A, 700 North Main Street, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

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6 **Members Present:**

- 7 David Dollahon, Assistant City Manager for Operations
- 8 Gino Jimenez, City ACO Supervisor
- 9 Mary Lou Ward, Dona Ana County ACO Chief
- 10 Robert Cabello, Senior Assistant City Attorney
- 11 Clint Thacker, ASCMV Executive Director
- 12 Susan Krueger, Animal Care Advocate
- 13 Frank Bryce, Humane Society of Southern NM
- 14 Rick Hahn, Coalition for Pets and People
- 15 Gina Roberts, Dona Ana County ACO Case Worker
- 16 Jean Gilbert, Humane Society of Southern NM
- 17 Geri Wheelis, Boarding Director for Calista Animal Hospital
- 18 Jackye Meinecke, Coalition for Pets and People

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20 **Others Present:**

- 21 David Aguayo, City of Las Cruces Codes/Animal Control
- 22 Athena Huckaby, Colony Manager
- 23 Jo Ruprecht, Citizen
- 24 Marcy Scott, Citizen
- 25 Denise Beyer, Uncaged Paws
- 26 Joseph Dean, Uncaged Paws

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28 **Call to order** – 2:30 p.m.

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30 **Approval of Minutes:** Mary Lou Ward moved; Gino Jimenez seconded to approve the
31 minutes for January 17, 2020. Motion passed.

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33 **Discussion Items:** Mr. Dollahon showed the TNR map that had data that was extracted
34 from Shelter Love at the Animal Service Center when they were releasing community cats
35 inside the city limits. Mr. Dollahon said that practice was shut down last summer so
36 technically the shelter shouldn't be releasing community cats under the current ordinance.

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38 David Dollahon said Gino Jimenez has 8 applications for colonies now. Mr. Jimenez said
39 he had one person contact him and was ready to go ahead and get her permit. The only
40 problem is one of the cats is being difficult to catch so she wanted to just go ahead and not
41 include it in her colony and go ahead and move forward with her 9 cats. Mr. Jimenez told
42 her she had until the end of February to see if she could catch the 10th one and include it
43 with the others. She has all of her documentation and is ready to go to get fully permitted.
44 Mr. Jimenez will contact her the last week of February and see where she's at.

1 The Task Force discussed cat colonies and the effects they had on the neighborhoods and
2 the bird populations. There was also discussion regarding public safety when it comes to
3 feral cats carrying diseases.

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Adjourn – 4 p.m.

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