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## NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA WASHOE COUNTY REGIONAL ANIMAL SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD

## WASHOE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION COMPLEX WASHOE COUNTY COMMISSION CHAMBERS, 1001 E. 9<sup>TH</sup> STREET, BUILDING A RENO, NEVADA 89512

and available via Zoom

FRIDAY, MAY 16, 2025 9:00 A.M.

This meeting will be held in the Commission Chambers and via Zoom. To attend this meeting via Zoom, please log in to the Zoom meeting at the following link: https://washoecounty-gov.zoom.us/j/93272181130. You can also join the meeting by typing zoom.us into your computer browser, clicking "Join a Meeting" on the Zoom website, and entering the Meeting ID: 932 7218 1130. NOTE: This option will require a computer with audio and video capabilities. Alternatively, you can join the meeting by telephone only by dialing +1 669-900-6833, entering the Meeting ID: 932 7218 1130 and pressing #.

<u>Possible Changes to the Agenda and Timing:</u> Items on the agenda may be taken out of order, combined with other items, removed from the agenda, or moved to the agenda of another later meeting. Items with a specific time designation will not be heard prior to the stated time but may be heard later. The Board may take short breaks approximately every 90 minutes.

<u>Public Comment:</u> Public comments are welcomed during the public comment periods at the beginning and end of the meeting and during items designated "for possible action" and are limited to three minutes per person per comment period. Persons may not allocate unused time to other speakers. During the general public comment periods at the beginning and end of the meeting, speakers may address any matter, whether listed on the agenda or not. For the remainder of the agenda, public comment should be about the specific item being considered by the Board. Members of the public that wish to share documents or make a brief presentation within their public comment period must provide ten (10) printed copies of each document. Please note that USB drives or any

other digital media will not be accepted due to the risk of introducing viruses or malicious code, which could potentially compromise the County's systems.

Members of the public may submit public comment by either attending the meeting in person, attending the meeting via webinar/teleconference, or attending by telephone only. To provide public comment via Zoom teleconference, log in to the Zoom webinar at the above link and utilize the "Raise Hand" feature during any public comment period. To provide public comment via telephone only, press \*9 to "Raise Hand" and \*6 to mute/unmute.

Additionally, members of the public may submit written comments via email to <a href="mailto:advisoryboard@washoecounty.gov">advisoryboard@washoecounty.gov</a>. The County will make reasonable efforts to send all email comments received by 3:00 p.m. on May 15, 2025, to the Advisory Board members prior to the meeting.

Responses to Public Comments: The Regional Animal Services Advisory Board may deliberate or take action only if a matter has been listed on an agenda properly posted prior to the meeting. The Open Meeting Law does not expressly prohibit responses to public comments by board members. However, responses from board members to unlisted public comment topics could become deliberation on a matter without notice to the public. To avoid this situation and to ensure that the public has notice of all matters the Advisory Board will consider, members may choose not to respond to public comments, except to correct factual inaccuracies, ask for County staff action, or to ask that a matter be listed on a future agenda.

Forum Restrictions and Orderly Conduct of Business: The Regional Animal Services Advisory Board conducts the business of Washoe County and its citizens during its meetings. The presiding officer may order the removal of any person or group of persons whose statement or other conduct disrupts the orderly, efficient or safe conduct of the meeting. Warnings against disruptive comments or behavior may or may not be given prior to removal. The viewpoint of a speaker will not be restricted, but reasonable restrictions may be imposed upon the time, place and manner of speech. Irrelevant and unduly repetitious statements and personal attacks which antagonize or incite others are examples of speech that may be reasonably limited.

<u>Posting of Agenda</u>: Pursuant to NRS 241.020(4)(b), this Notice of Meeting and Agenda has been posted at the Washoe County Regional Animal Services Center (2825 Longley Lane, Reno, Nevada); and has been electronically posted on the State of Nevada Public Notice website at: <a href="https://notice.nv.gov">https://notice.nv.gov</a> and the Washoe County Regional Animal Services' Advisory Board website at: <a href="https://www.washoecounty.us/animal/wcras">https://www.washoecounty.us/animal/wcras</a> advisory board/index.php.

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<a href="https://www.washoecounty.us/animal/wcras\_advisory\_board/index.php">https://www.washoecounty.us/animal/wcras\_advisory\_board/index.php</a> or at Washoe County Regional Animal

Services, 2825 Longley Lane, Reno, Nevada, or by contacting Serena Stockdale at phone (775) 353-8900, e-mail advisoryboard@washoecounty.gov or address 2825 Longley Lane, Suite A, Reno, Nevada 89502. If you make a request, we can provide you with a link to the website, send you the material by email or prepare paper

copies for you at no charge. Supporting materials are available to the public at the same time they are available to Advisory Board members. If materials are distributed at a meeting, they are available within one business day after the meeting.

<u>Special Accommodations</u>: The facilities in which this meeting is being held are accessible to the disabled. Persons with disabilities who require special accommodations or assistance (e.g., sign language interpreters or assisted listening devices) at the meeting should notify Washoe County Regional Animal Services at (775) 353-8900 or email <u>advisoryboard@washoecounty.gov</u> at least two working days prior to the meeting. For limited English proficient and hearing-impaired individuals, the Wordly.ai application, utilized by Washoe County, is available to members of the public by request as well as for those attending the meeting in-person.

## **AGENDA**

- 1. **Call to Order and Determination of Quorum**. [Non-action item]
- 2. **Salute to the Flag.** [Non-action item]
- 3. **Instructions For Providing Public Comment via ZOOM/Telephone**. [Non-action item] Verbal instructions regarding how members of the public may participate and provide public comment during the meeting. DDA Andrew "Cobi" Burnett.
- 4. **Public Comment**. [Non-action item] Comment heard under this item will be limited to three (3) minutes per person and may pertain to matters both on and off the agenda. Comments are to be made to the Washoe County Regional Animal Services Advisory Board (ASAB) as a whole.
- 5. **Approval of February 21, 2025, Meeting Minutes**. [For possible action] Board members may identify any additions or corrections to the draft minutes as transcribed.
- 6. **Director's Report**. [Non-action item] An informational presentation and update on WCRAS's programs, statistics, emerging developments, financial updates, and other matters properly related thereto for the third quarter of FY '25. Director, Shyanne Schull, Assistant Director, Tammy Wines-Jennings and Program Coordinator, Quinn Sweet.
- 7. Washoe County Regional Animal Services' and Nevada Humane Society's Shared Dog Behavior Policy Update. [Non-action item] An informational presentation and update on the shared dog behavior protocol between Nevada Humane Society and WCRAS, a joint policy between respective behavior consultants that helps each organization make informed decisions about the outcome of dogs in their care, while aiming to reduce risk and support human and animal safety. Certified Animal Behavior Consultant, Kelley Bollen, MS.
- 8. **Nevada Humane Society Operational Update Report**. [Non-action item] An informational update on NHS' statistics and programs related to adoptions, transfers from WCRAS, public surrenders

including Good Samaritan surrenders, and community outreach programs in the first quarter of CY '25. NHS CEO, Jerleen Bryant and NHS COO, Trent Bingham.

- 9. **Nevada Humane Society Community Spay & Neuter Project Update.** [Non-action item] An informational update on NHS' Community Spay & Neuter Project, funded by American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, in the amount of \$600,000, for public, high-volume spay/neuter program. The goal of the program is to provide 4,000 surgeries in the first year and 5,600 surgeries the following year, reducing the number of unwanted animals in our community. NHS CEO, Jerleen Bryant.
- 10. **Options Veterinary Care Access to Spay/Neuter Services Update.** [Non-action item] An informational update on Options Veterinary Care's Access to Spay/Neuter Services, funded by American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, in the amount of \$200,000, for Washoe County residents. The goal of the program is to provide 3,200 spay/neuter surgeries within the next two years. Options Veterinary Care President, Bonney Brown.
- 11. **Community Cats Program Presentation.** [Non-action item] An informational presentation on the grassroots, 501(c)(3), Community Cats program, dedicated to the trap-neuter-release ("TNR") of free-roaming cats, in collaboration with community partners and resources to reduce cat populations and save lives between January 1 April 30, 2025. Community Cats updates include total cats trapped and spayed & neutered, as well as the incorporation of new initiatives to include resources provided by the Alliance for Contraception in Cats and Dogs ("ACC&D"), which aims to manage animal populations through definable goals and targeted outcomes through data tracking and reporting. Community Cats Director, Tracy Dean.
- 12. Washoe County Regional Animal Services Advisory Board Member and/or Staff announcements, requests for information and selection of topics for future agendas. [Non-action item] Limited to items not addressed elsewhere on the agenda. The Washoe County Regional Animal Services Advisory Board may not engage in discussion or take action on any item identified under this topic. Rather, items may be placed on a future agenda for discussion and possible action.
- 13. **Public Comment**. [Non-action item] Comment heard under this item will be limited to three (3) minutes per person and may pertain to matters both on and off the agenda. Comments are to be made to the Washoe County Regional Animal Services Advisory Board as a whole.
- 14. **Adjournment**. [Non-action item]