



**CITY OF EL PASO,
TEXAS AGENDA ITEM
DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM**

DEPARTMENT: Animal Services

AGENDA DATE: August 5, 2025

PUBLIC HEARING DATE: August 19, 2025

CONTACT PERSON NAME: Terry K. Kebschull,
Animal Services Director

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DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All

STRATEGIC GOAL: Goal 8 - Nurture and Promote a Healthy, Sustainable Community

SUBGOAL: 8.3 Enhance animal services to ensure El Paso's pets are provided a safe and healthy environment

SUBJECT:

Request that the Mayor of the City of El Paso sign an ordinance amending Title 7 (Animals), Chapter 7.28 (Animal Shelter Advisory Committee), to remove references and language regarding the Animal Shelter Advisory Committee in its entirety.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

City Council previously established the Animal Shelter Advisory Committee (ASAC) through Ordinance Nos. 17039 and 17746. On May 12, 2025, Council directed that all boards and commissions be enacted by resolution rather than ordinance. In line with this directive, this ordinance repeals Ordinance Nos. 17039 and 17746 in their entirety, thereby removing Chapter 7.28 (Animal Shelter Advisory Committee) from the City Code and allowing a resolution to be adopted in its place.

COMMUNITY AND STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH:

NA

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

On February 1, 2009, City Council enacted Ordinance No. 17039 creating the ASAC. Ordinance No. 17746 made further amendments to the Committee's structure. On May 12, 2025, City Council directed that boards and commissions transition to resolution format.

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Amount: N/A

Funding Source: N/A

Account: N/A

REPORTING OF CONTRIBUTION OR DONATION TO CITY COUNCIL:

N/A

NAME	AMOUNT (\$)
NA	NA

*****REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION*****

DEPARTMENT HEAD:


 Terry K. Kabschull, Animal Services Director

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 7 (ANIMALS), CHAPTER 7.28 (ANIMAL SHELTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE), TO REMOVE REFERENCES AND LANGUAGE REGARDING THE ANIMAL SHELTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE IN ITS ENTIRETY.

WHEREAS, the El Paso City Council establishes City Boards and Commissions to inform City Council under statutory authorization or on particular issues or subjects of interest to the Council; and

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso recognizes the importance of consistent governance and operational procedures across all city boards and commissions to ensure efficient and effective public administration; and

WHEREAS, on May 12, 2025, City Council directed boards and commissions be standardized to be enacted by resolution instead of ordinance; and

WHEREAS, by Ordinance No. 17039 and No. 17746, the El Paso City Council created the Animal Shelter Advisory Committee (Committee) to serve as an advisory committee for matters related to animal shelters located in the city of El Paso, pursuant to the Texas Health and Safety Code Chapter 823; and

WHEREAS, the El Paso City Council wishes to repeal the Ordinance enacting the Committee, as a Resolution will be adopted in its place.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

SECTION 1. That Ordinance No. 17039 and No. 17746 be repealed in their entirety.

SECTION 3. Except as expressly herein amended, Title 7 (Animals) of the El Paso City Code shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. Except as expressly herein amended, all other provisions of the El Paso City Code will remain in full force and effect. Any provision of this ordinance deemed illegal will be severed and the remainder will remain in effect. The requirements of this ordinance will take effect 90 days from its adoption and publication in accordance with and as provided by law and the City Charter.

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2025.

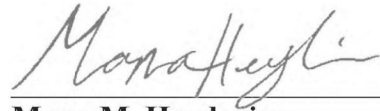
THE CITY OF EL PASO

Renard U. Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:

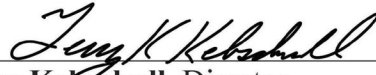
Laura D. Prine
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Mona M. Heydarian
Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:



Terry Kerschull, Director
Department of Animal Services