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MINUTES of the TARZANA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, October 13, 2015 at 7:00 pm
Tarzana Child Care Center
5700 Beckford Ave., Tarzana, CA 91356,
Chairman - Jeffrey Mausner

Minutes of the Tarzana Neighborhood Council (TNC) Animal Welfare Committee (AWC) meeting, October 13, 2015, at the Tarzana Child Care Center, 5700 Beckford Ave., Tarzana, CA 91356.

1. Call to Order & Welcoming Remarks. The meeting was called to order at 7:12 P.M. Attending were the following committee members: Deanna Dylan Scott, Mary Aratounian, Eva Brusa, Janet Mausner, and Jeffrey Mausner. Also attending were Volunteers from the West Valley Animal Shelter and Ady Gill, who runs Rockin' Rescue. The attached documents were distributed at the meeting.
2. Public Comments. The public comments related to the West Valley Shelter and Rockin' Rescue, so they were deferred to items 4 and 6 below.
3. Update and discussion on the killing of healthy adoptable animals at Los Angeles City animal shelters took place. Draft of the letter to Councilmen Blumenfield and Koretz regarding this was distributed for comment.
4. Update and discussion on other issues regarding the West Valley Animal Shelter took place: Lack of air conditioning in trucks used to transport animals was discussed. Michael Bell and his groups are dealing with this issue. We will assist in that matter if needed. Discussion of other matters regarding the West Valley Shelter took place.
5. Update and discussion on efforts to get the City to do a CEQA review in connection with the injunction against City participation in the Trap Neuter Release (TNR) program. Draft of the letter to Councilmen Blumenfield and Koretz regarding this was distributed for comment.
6. Update and discussion on the status of Rockin' Rescue's change of use/zoning change, warning to shut down; email from Brenda Barnette, General Manager of Los Angeles Animal Services, that Rockin' Rescue can continue to operate as long as they are still moving forward with their zoning request and the animals look well cared for.
7. Discussion and motion: **Resolved that the Tarzana Neighborhood Council Animal Welfare Committee recommends that the Tarzana Neighborhood Council assist Rockin' Rescue in obtaining the change of use/zoning necessary to obtain a kennel permit.**

Motion to adopt the resolution was made by Eva Brusa and seconded by Mary Aratounian. The motion to adopt the resolution passed unanimously, with Deanna Dylan Scott, Eva Brusa, Mary Aratounian, Janet Mausner, and Jeffrey Mausner voting in favor. No votes against or abstentions.

8. Update and discussion on the use of live chickens in religious observances.

9. Update and discussion on the status of panleukopenia (aka panleuk), a deadly cat disease.

10. Discussion of the possibility of implementing a program for nursing homes to adopt or foster dogs and/or cats.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 P.M.