

**Notice of Meeting for the  
Animal Shelter Advisory Board  
of the City of Georgetown  
April 8, 2021 at 6:00 PM  
at Virtual**

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**Topic: Advisory Board**

**Time: Apr 8, 2021 06:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)**

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- 1. Submit written comments to [april.haughey@georgetown.org](mailto:april.haughey@georgetown.org) by 3:00 p.m. on the date of the meeting and the Recording Secretary will read your comments into the recording during the item that is being discussed.**
- 2. Log onto the meeting at the link above and “raise your hand” during the item**
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## **Regular Session**

(This Regular Session may, at any time, be recessed to convene an Executive Session for any purpose authorized by the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code 551.)

- A Discussion on how this virtual conference will be conducted, to include options for public comments and how the public may address the Board--April Haughey, Animal Services Manager (Board Liaison)
- B Review and discuss board purpose and bylaws--Melissa Sheldon, Board Chair
- C Review of the City Council's Boards and Commissions Attendance Policy--Melissa Sheldon, Board Chair
- D Presentation of Animal Services Statistics for March 2021--April Haughey, Animal Services Manager (Board Liaison)
- E Presentation on current and future facilities projects and updates--April Haughey, Animal Services Manager (Board Liaison)
- F Presentation of current staffing and operational updates--April Haughey, Animal Services Manager (Board Liaison)
- G Presentation of finished shelter mural--April Haughey, Animal Services Manager (Board Liaison)
- H Recognition of Animal Service's work by the community--April Haughey, Animal Services Manager (Board Liaison)

## **Public Wishing to Address the Board**

On a subject that is posted on this agenda: Please fill out a speaker registration form which can be found at the

Board meeting. Clearly print your name, the letter of the item on which you wish to speak, and present it to the Staff Liaison, preferably prior to the start of the meeting. You will be called forward to speak when the Board considers that item.

On a subject not posted on the agenda: Persons may add an item to a future Board agenda by filing a written request with the Staff Liaison no later than one week prior to the Board meeting. The request must include the speaker's name and the specific topic to be addressed with sufficient information to inform the board and the public. For Board Liaison contact information, please logon to <http://government.georgetown.org/category/boards-commissions/>.

- I Heather Pencil--Request to consider amending the code pertaining to allowed pets and updating Section 7.06.010 Part B with more specifics in terms of increased numbers based on lot sizes.

## **Legislative Regular Agenda**

- J Election of Vice Chair and Secretary for the Animal Shelter Advisory Board--Melissa Sheldon, Board Chair
- K Discuss and confirm dates and times for future Animal Shelter Advisory Board meetings--Melissa Sheldon, Board Chair
- L Consideration and possible action to approve minutes from March 2021--Melissa Sheldon, Board Chair

## **Adjournment**

### **Certificate of Posting**

I, Robyn Densmore, City Secretary for the City of Georgetown, Texas, do hereby certify that this Notice of Meeting was posted at City Hall, 808 Martin Luther King Jr. Street, Georgetown, TX 78626, a place readily accessible to the general public as required by law, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021, at \_\_\_\_\_, and remained so posted for at least 72 continuous hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

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Robyn Densmore, City Secretary

City of Georgetown, Texas  
Animal Shelter Advisory Board  
April 8, 2021

**SUBJECT:**

Discussion on how this virtual conference will be conducted, to include options for public comments and how the public may address the Board--April Haughey, Animal Services Manager (Board Liaison)

**ITEM SUMMARY:**

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

n/a

**SUBMITTED BY:**

April Haughey, Animal Services Manager (Board Liaison)

City of Georgetown, Texas  
Animal Shelter Advisory Board  
April 8, 2021

**SUBJECT:**

Review and discuss board purpose and bylaws--Melissa Sheldon, Board Chair

**ITEM SUMMARY:**

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

n/a

**SUBMITTED BY:**

April Haughey, Animal Services Manager (Board Liaison)

**ATTACHMENTS:**

**Description**

**Type**

City of Georgetown, Texas  
Animal Shelter Advisory Board  
April 8, 2021

**SUBJECT:**

Review of the City Council's Boards and Commissions Attendance Policy--Melissa Sheldon, Board Chair

**ITEM SUMMARY:**

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

n/a

**SUBMITTED BY:**

April Haughey, Animal Services Manager (Board Liaison)

**ATTACHMENTS:**

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City of Georgetown, Texas  
Animal Shelter Advisory Board  
April 8, 2021

**SUBJECT:**

Presentation of Animal Services Statistics for March 2021--April Haughey, Animal Services Manager  
(Board Liaison)

**ITEM SUMMARY:**

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

n/a

**SUBMITTED BY:**

April Haughey, Animal Services Manager (Board Liaison)

City of Georgetown, Texas  
Animal Shelter Advisory Board  
April 8, 2021

**SUBJECT:**

Presentation on current and future facilities projects and updates--April Haughey, Animal Services Manager (Board Liaison)

**ITEM SUMMARY:**

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

Gate Access Control Additions ~\$41,000

Stonhard Coating for Cat Stray Housing/Treatment Room ~\$30,000

**SUBMITTED BY:**

April Haughey, Animal Services Manager (Board Liaison)

City of Georgetown, Texas  
Animal Shelter Advisory Board  
April 8, 2021

**SUBJECT:**

Presentation of current staffing and operational updates--April Haughey, Animal Services Manager (Board Liaison)

**ITEM SUMMARY:**

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

n/a

**SUBMITTED BY:**

April Haughey, Animal Services Manager (Board Liaison)

City of Georgetown, Texas  
Animal Shelter Advisory Board  
April 8, 2021

**SUBJECT:**

Presentation of finished shelter mural--April Haughey, Animal Services Manager (Board Liaison)

**ITEM SUMMARY:**

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

n/a

**SUBMITTED BY:**

April Haughey, Animal Services Manager (Board Liaison)

**ATTACHMENTS:**

	<b>Description</b>	<b>Type</b>
☐	Mural	Exhibit
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MAKING A DIFFERENCE ONE PET AT A TIME



Judith Shirven's  
Catio

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City of Georgetown, Texas  
Animal Shelter Advisory Board  
April 8, 2021

**SUBJECT:**

Recognition of Animal Service's work by the community--April Haughey, Animal Services Manager (Board Liaison)

**ITEM SUMMARY:**

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

n/a

**SUBMITTED BY:**

April Haughey, Animal Services Manager (Board Liaison)

**ATTACHMENTS:**

	<b>Description</b>	<b>Type</b>
□	A Jones Article	Presentation
□	Letter	Presentation

## A Hero for Animals in Need

**A**nimal control isn't for the faint of heart. Chasing critters in 105-degree heat, getting zapped by a fence while saving a pair of pigs, and being attacked by three pit bulls have all toughened Angela Jones up over the last six years.

Angela is the City's supervising animal control officer, and she is not the same timid person who used to wait for her husband at the time to come home and take care of a problem. "I was very meek; this job developed a different side of me," she says. "Now I don't wait for anybody. I handle the business."

Except for spiders. When she calls her 13-year-old son to take care of another eight-legged crawler, he'll say, "You catch rattlesnakes all day long. Why are you afraid of this spider?" To which she responds, "I can deal with aggressive dogs and rattlesnakes, but not spiders."

### HEART FOR ANIMALS

Despite the challenges, Angela says her job is rewarding because she gets to improve animals' quality of life, whether saving a deer stuck in a fence or helping almost all 26 animals in a hoarder case find their forever homes. "There's something about putting on this uniform. I treat it like a cape," she says.

Angela is indeed a hero for animals in need, possessing a heart for the sick and the hurt that she has shown since she began taking in animals as a child. A nurturer by nature, she worked as an emergency vet tech for more than 20 years before an animal control job posting



Angela Jones has a heart for rescuing animals, one she constantly shows as supervising animal control officer for the City of Georgetown.



caught her eye. "After so many years of working in the ER with animals neglected or abused at the hands of humans, I wanted to be the person that gave them justice and a voice."

Six years later, Angela is still doing just that. She has rescued cats who gave birth in a drainage ditch, recovered an escaped cow, and educated pet owners not to leave dogs in a hot car or tether them in their backyard, and to provide pets with adequate shelter and food. "No two days are the same."

Some days are heartbreaking, such as when she has to deal with human and pet tragedies. "It's why," she says, "ultimately, animal control

is a job that takes a special person, one that goes far beyond a love of animals."

### COMMUNITY OUTREACH

One of Angela's goals is to develop school programs to help prevent animal bites and teach responsible pet ownership. She hopes to show kids what to do when a dog approaches and how to pet a dog properly. Older students should know how to take care of a pet and

be prepared before taking home the "cute little kitten in a box," which will end up being a 20-year commitment.

She also wants to change negative perceptions of animal control, which she's often experienced when responding to an animal welfare call. "We're here to help and of course, enforce animal regulations, but we're also there to serve the public and the animals," she says. "We're protecting them."

January 24, 2021

Dear Georgetown Animal Shelter Staff and Volunteers,

This past year has been a time of struggle for many of us. Our family of three just experienced a very different version of the holidays, as many people did during the pandemic. But this year there was a new member in our house; a dog we adopted last May from Georgetown Animal Shelter. This is a letter of appreciation to all the staff and volunteers at Georgetown Animal Shelter, and to let you know that she is doing well.

You knew this dog as Maya, a black PitBull mix with some small white marks on her chest. Our nine-year-old son Lucas renamed her "Lupe" because she "ran loops" around him in your yard. Lupe turns two years old this May, and she is still an energetic young dog, with her crazy PitBull "zoomies". But she also expresses a calm confidence and relaxation, which is great to see.

Lupe is our family's first pet. She was a little intimidating at first, with her big muscles and brick-like head. Over the last half-year she has adopted us as much as we adopted her; together we are a pack. She has never bitten anyone, in fact her friendly licks on the hand are almost too much. She loves to find us on the TV sofa, wait to be invited up, and wedge between two of us.

Lupe was not potty trained when she came home with us. It took some learning to get everything right; we learned her patterns and timing, she learned to tell us she needed to go out. Clearly she always wanted to do the right thing, she just didn't know how.

We were told Lupe was neglected before coming to you. She has put on nearly 10 lbs. of lean, strong muscle since then. Pound-for-pound she is the strongest dog I've ever seen. We exercise her twice a day, and she has built up better running stamina. She has also learned to swim in our backyard pool, and after spending half the summer with us at the beach along Redfish Bay. When she opens up and runs on the beach she is a sight to see; her ears lay back flat and she becomes a black, athletic flash, thinking she can catch sea gulls or a fish.

Her favorite play on her own is trying to ambush mice or lizards outside. She has escaped from the leash a couple of times to chase deer or javelinas, causing us much worry. Her big catch would be the fat possum living under the deck. She flushed it out twice; pandemonium!

Thank you all for looking after her so well while she was in your care. She brings daily joy to our home. With much appreciation,



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cc: Georgetown Animal Shelter Board of Directors



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Animal Shelter Advisory Board  
April 8, 2021

**SUBJECT:**

Heather Pencil--Request to consider amending the code pertaining to allowed pets and updating Section 7.06.010 Part B with more specifics in terms of increased numbers based on lot sizes.

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**SUBMITTED BY:**

April Haughey, Animal Services Manager (Board Liaison)

City of Georgetown, Texas  
Animal Shelter Advisory Board  
April 8, 2021

**SUBJECT:**

Election of Vice Chair and Secretary for the Animal Shelter Advisory Board--Melissa Sheldon, Board Chair

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April Haughey, Animal Services Manager (Board Liaison)

City of Georgetown, Texas  
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**SUBJECT:**

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