Minutes of the Animal Services Advisory Committee Regular Meeting Garland, Texas July 22, 2011

The Animal Services Advisory Committee of Garland, Texas convened for a regular meeting at 1:00 pm on Friday, July 22, 2011 in the City Council Work Session Room at City Hall with the following members present:

Pat Fowler, Chairperson Anita Rushlau Robbie Neill Dr. Bill Dunn Yvette Diaz

Staff Present:

Jason Chessher, Deputy Director of Health Diana Oats, Animal Services Manager

Agenda Item 1: The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Pat Fowler at 1:00

pm.

Agenda Item 2: Committee Member Dr. Bill Dunn made a motion to approve the

minutes for the April 29, 2011 meeting and Committee Member Robby Neill seconded the motion. The motion passed

unanimously.

Agenda Item 3: Chairperson Pat Fowler introduced newly appointed Committee

member Anita Rushlau

Agenda Item 4: Diana Oats provided a summary of recent community outreach

projects and a preview of upcoming events and promotions.

Agenda Item 5: Diana Oats briefed the Committee on the animal intake, evaluation

and disposition process.

Agenda Item 6: Jason Chessher provided an overview of the proposed 2011/12

departmental budget

Agenda Item 7: Public Comments:

Verbal Comments

Michelle Ferrer provided verbal comments related to recent shelter operations, the role of the ASAC, low cost Veterinary services, improvements driven by citizen involvement, successful placement statistics, the success of Garland Pawsabilities, the animal rescue process, and ID tags for animals.

Paul Breitzman provided verbal comments related to animal euthanasia, ideas to reduce euthanasia, and future ASAC agenda items.

Lee Lutz provided verbal comments related to ASO name tags, ASAC meeting times and agendas, customer service at the Shelter, responsible pet ownership, compassion fatigue, Garland Pawsabilities, and descriptions of impounded animals.

Dian Wright provided verbal comments related to improvements at the Shelter, pet sterilization, no kill shelters in the area, and compassion fatigue.

Vickie Hollister provided verbal comments related to a recent visit to the Shelter and lost dog reports.

Agenda Item 11:

Future Agenda Items & Meeting Schedule: Chairperson Pat Fowler directed staff to tentatively schedule the next ASAC meeting for October 21, 2011 at 1:00 pm.

Chairperson Pat Fowler requested staff to introduce ASO Adrian Olivarez to the Committee.

Agenda Item 12:

Committee Member Dr. Bill Dunn made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Committee Member Robby Neill. Chairperson Pat Fowler adjourned the meeting at 2:35 pm.