

Wednesday, November 13, 2024 5:30 PM

Municipal Service Center - 725 SE John Jones Dr Burleson, TX 76028

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. CITIZEN APPEARANCES

Each person in attendance who desires to speak to the board on an item NOT posted on the agenda, shall speak during this section.

A speaker card must be filled out and turned in to the Secretary prior to addressing the Animal Shelter Advisory Committee. Each speaker will be allowed three (3) minutes.

Please note that the Committee may only take action on items posted on the agenda. The Texas Open Meetings Act prohibits the Committee from deliberating or taking action on an item not listed on the agenda. The Committee may, however, receive your comments on the unlisted item, ask clarifying questions, respond with facts, and explain policy.

Each person in attendance who desires to speak to the Committee on an item posted on the agenda, shall speak when the item is called forward for consideration.

3. **GENERAL**

- A. Elect a Chair and Vice Chair to serve for FY 2025. (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)
- B. Consider and approve Animal Shelter Advisory Committee meeting dates for FY 2025. (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)
- Consider approval of the minutes from the August 14, 2024 Animal Shelter Advisory Committee meeting. (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

4. REPORTS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Receive a report and discuss Animal Services' monthly reports for shelter operations from June 2024 to September 2024 and Fiscal Year 2023-2024 year-end report. (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)
- B. Receive a report and discuss the Adoption Trailer sponsors. (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)
- C. Receive a report and discuss the Migratory Bird Prevention Efforts. (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)
- D. Summary of the Community Outreach. (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

<u>E.</u> Summary of the fundraisers held for the Animal Shelter. (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

5. **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

6. **BOARD REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS OR REPORTS**

7. ADJOURN

DeAnna Phillips
 Community Services Director dphillips@burlesontx.com 817-426-9622

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the above agenda was posted on this the 6th of November 2024, by 5:00 p.m., on the official bulletin board at the Burleson City Hall, 141 W. Renfro, Burleson, Texas.



Amanda Campos

City Secretary

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DEPARTMENT: Community Services

FROM: DeAnna Phillips, Community Services Director

MEETING: November 13, 2024

SUBJECT:

Elect a Chair and Vice Chair to serve for the year 2025. (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

SUMMARY:

The Animal Shelter Advisory Committee will elect a Chair and Vice Chair to serve for the year 2025. The Vice Chair will serve in the absence of the Animal Shelter Advisory Committee Chair.

RECOMMENDATION:

PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):

N/A

REFERENCE:

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

STAFF CONTACT:

Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager 817-426-9281 kpeckler@burlesontx.com





DEPARTMENT: Community Services

FROM: DeAnna Phillips, Community Services Director

MEETING: November 13, 2024

SUBJECT:

Consider and approve Animal Shelter Advisory Committee meeting dates for 2025. (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

SUMMARY:

The Animal Shelter Advisory Committee meets a minimum of three times a year. Staff has created a proposed meeting schedule for the board to consider.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve meeting dates as presented or with modification.

PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):

N/A

REFERENCE:

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

STAFF CONTACT:

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Proposed Meeting Dates for 2025

- Wednesday, March 19, 2025
- Wednesday, June 11, 2025
- Wednesday, September 10, 2025





DEPARTMENT: Community Services

FROM: DeAnna Phillips, Community Services Director

MEETING: November 13, 2024

SUBJECT:

Consider approval of the minutes from the August 14, 2024 Animal Shelter Advisory Committee meeting. (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

SUMMARY:

The Burleson Animal Shelter Advisory Committee convened on Wednesday, August 14, 2024, in the Burleson Municipal Service Center Conference Room at 725 SE John Jones Drive, Burleson, Texas. The minutes are attached for consideration.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve as presented or with changes.

PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):

N/A

REFERENCE:

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

STAFF CONTACT:

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ANIMAL SHELTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

August 14, 2024 DRAFT MINUTES

Call to Order: 5:30 P.M.

Board Members Present

Kim Peckler
Liriane Davis
DeAnna Phillips
Dena Hooley
Donna Riggs
Jennifer Stockemer
Lisa Chick
Trina Argo

Board Members Absent

Steven Janssen Syriana Smith Dr. Susan Andrews

Staff Present

Paula Skundberg, Recording Secretary

- **1. Call to Order**: 5:40 p.m.
- 2. Approve the minutes from the Animal Shelter Advisory Committee Meeting.
- A. Consider approval of the minutes from the March 6, 2024 Animal Shelter Advisory Committee meeting. (Staff Presenter: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

Lisa Chick, request to amend the minutes item 2A. *Lisa Chick must be added to present*, Lisa was present at the meeting not absent.

A motion was made by Donna Riggs and seconded by Dena Hooley to approve the minutes as amended.

Motion passed unanimously. Absent Steven Janssen, Syriana Smith, Dr. Susan Andrews

- 3. <u>Citizen Appearances</u> None
- 4. Reports and Discussion items:
- A. Receive a report and discuss Animal Services' monthly reports for shelter operations from February 2024 to May 2024. (Staff Presenter: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

Staff gave an update on the shelter operations for months February to May 2024. A discussion followed.

- Request staff to track owner surrenders, turned away, and outside locations outside of the city. The information will be added to month-end statistics and provided to members.
- Owner surrenders, we offer resources available to assist the owner and encourage them to reach back with us. Resources are limited.
- Assistance is limited to the jurisdiction of city limits.
- Is there a list of fosters? Yes, we have fosters, but they are full.
- We are currently giving out 200-300 pounds of food to people who are unable to feed their animals.

B. Receive a report and discuss the Paw Pals Academy. (Staff Presenter: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

Staff gave an update on the Paw Pals educational program on basic animal care and safety for youth ages 11 to 15. It was a very successful program.

C. Receive a report and discuss the Adoption Trailer sponsors. (Staff Presenter: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

Staff gave an update on the donations received for the future purchase of an adoption trailer allowing staff to hold more off-site adoptions year-round. Sponsorship categories include Diamond Forever Home \$7,500, Platinum Heart \$2,500, Gold Tail \$1,000, Silver Whisker \$500 and Bronze Paw \$250. \$13k donations have been received as of today.

- We have a planned event at Will Rogers this weekend, we're very visible.
- Communications created an Adoption Trailer Sponsorship Packet with information and a description of the program. Copies were distributed to members.
- All donations received are applied to the Adoption Trailer.
- Is there a list of businesses that have already been approached? Yes, the information will be provided to members.

D. Summary of Community Outreach. (Staff Presenter: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

Staff gave an update on the community outreach activities and events for animal services which included 4 offsite adoption events and 4 community outreach events. A discussion followed.

- Clifford is very involved in the outreach programs; he really enjoys them.
- Where did Clifford come from? He was stray.
- We've had very good outreach this year.

E. Summary of fundraisers held for the Animal Shelter. (Staff Presenter: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

Staff gave an update on fundraising activities and events held for animal services which included: Poorly Drawn Pets (\$4,700 donation), Joni Linn Photography (\$1.400 donation), Burleson Senior Center (1600 pounds of food and \$500 donation), Cooter Brown (\$745) and Nestle Foods (362 pounds of food) hosted by Burleson and Crowley Walmart's. A discussion followed.

- Burleson Senior Center fundraiser was a very successful event. We received kitten-puppy food which we really needed, in addition to dog food.
- Is there a certain type of kitten food you prefer? Purina Kitten.
- Do we have an Amazon Wish List? Yes, it's available on the Animal Shelter Facebook site.
- Do we know how much was raised at the Applebee event? Staff will follow-up with members.

F. Summary of Borrowed Buddies Program. (Staff Presenter: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

Staff gave an overview of the animal services' Borrowed Buddies program and the benefits, which allows citizens to borrow a shelter animal for a set amount of time. A discussion followed.

- It's a slow time right now, it should pick up as the weather cools off.
- Is there a list of restaurants that are pet friendly? Most restaurants with patios are pet friendly.

5. <u>Community Announcements</u>

 Lisa Chick proposed to host a charity fundraiser event, Granny Basketball League "Grannies" vs. Burleson Firefighters at Burleson High School (BHS), on a Saturday at noon and call it the High Noon Challenge. Staff offered a suggestion to reach out to BHS and bring back to the committee.

6. <u>Board Requests for future agenda items or reports</u>

• Add follow-up of Lisa Chick's proposed charity fundraiser event.

7. Adjourn

Motion made by Jennifer Stockemer to adjourn meeting second by Donna Riggs.
Time – 6:06 p.m.
Paula Skundberg, Recording Secretary





DEPARTMENT: Community Services

FROM: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager

MEETING: November 13, 2024

SUBJECT:

Receive a report and discuss Animal Services' monthly reports for shelter operations from June 2024 to September 2024 and Fiscal Year 2023-2024 year-end report. (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

SUMMARY:

The statistical summary report for June to September provides the following operational information:

Total Animals Handled	Animals Surrendered
Incoming Animals	Stray Animals
Adoptions	Animals Reclaimed
Written Warnings	Humane Euthanasia
Vaccinations	Shelter Visitors
Volunteer Hours	Outreach events

RECOMMENDATION:

No action is required of the committee; this item is informational only and for general discussion.

PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):

N/A

REFERENCE:

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

STAFF CONTACT:

Kim Peckler Animal Services Manager kpeckler@burlesontx.com 817-426-9281



Animal

June -September 2024

Monthly Report





Animal

June - Sep 2024

TOTAL ANIMALS HANDLED BY BAS

537

INCOMING ANIMALS



293

STRAY ANIMALS



SURRENDERED

OUTGOING ANIMALS







ADOPTIONS

REUNIONS

LIVE RELEASE RATE*

* live release is based on the euthanasia of healthy and adoptable animals

ADDITIONAL SHELTER **STATISTICS**



125 227

WARNINGS WRITTEN

VOLUNTEER HOURS





935 OPEN 1522

OUTREACH EVENTS SHELTER VISITORS



HUMANE **EUTHANASIA**

(MEDICAL)

(BEHAVIOR -**INCLUDES FERAL**



VACCINATIONS

167

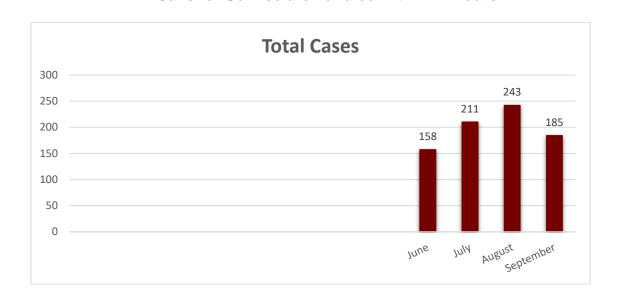
SPAY/NEUTER



MICROCHIPPED

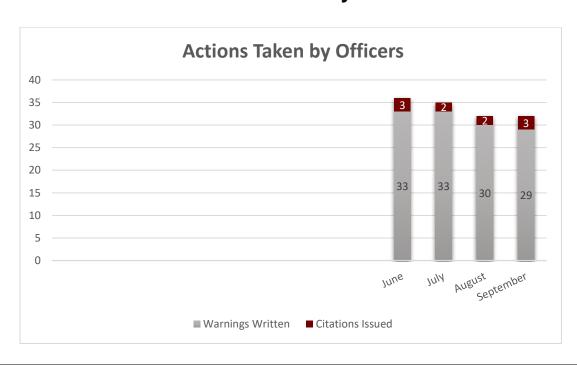
Field Services

All Calls for Service are handled within 24 hours



The Animal Services division responds to approximately 2,000 calls for service each year. Trends usually show the numbers peaking during the warmest months and declining during the coldest.

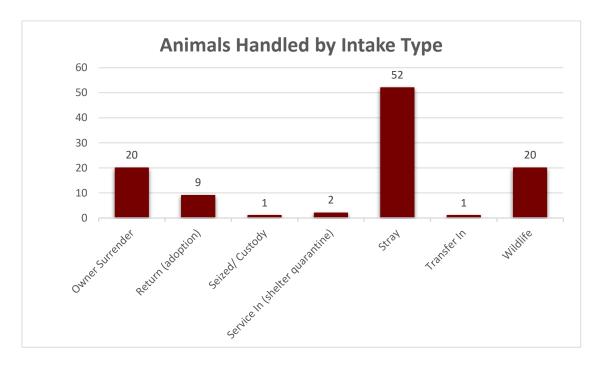
Actions Taken by Officers



Item A.

Attempts to educate and mediate are most often the first method of resolution. When these techn fail or are ignored, a written warning or citation could be issued. These methods help to reduce the number of repeat offenders, and animals impounded, and more effectively manage long-term problems. These actions are taken to enhance public safety and animal welfare.

Intake Information

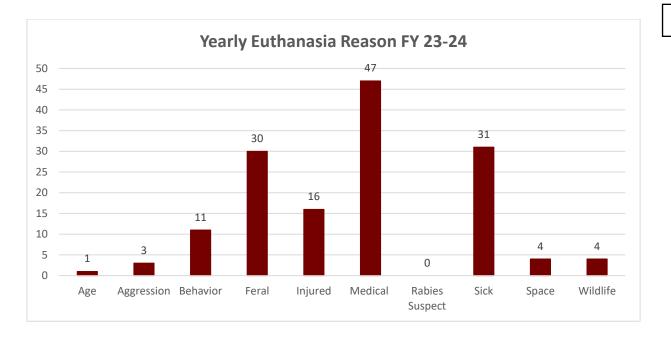


Burleson Animal Shelter intakes about 2,000 animals per year and averages about 165 animals per month. Below you will see the intake data per month broken down by species and by intake type.

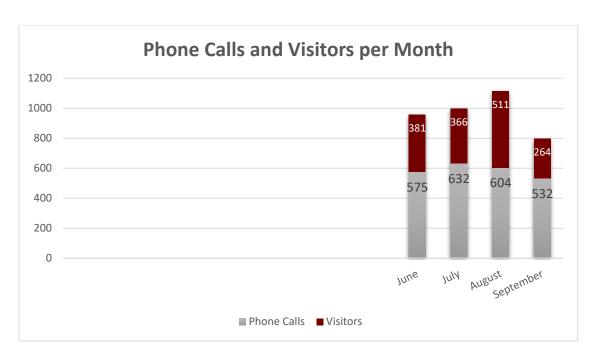
Euthanasia Information

The chart below depicts the breakdown of euthanasia numbers by reason for the fiscal year.

Item A.

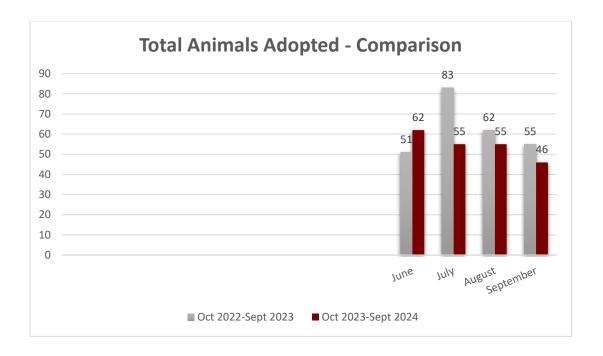


General Information

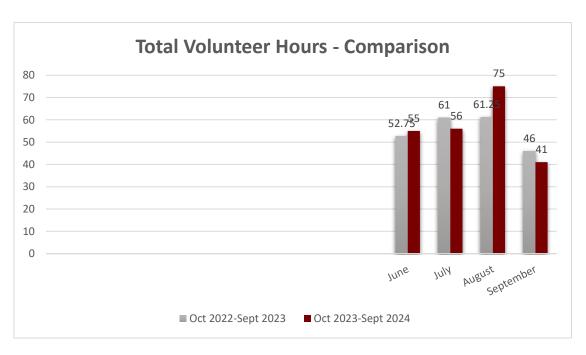


Phone calls and visitors are depicted in the graph above. Phone calls typically increase with season changes and visitors tend to fluctuate on an unforeseen basis.

Adoptions

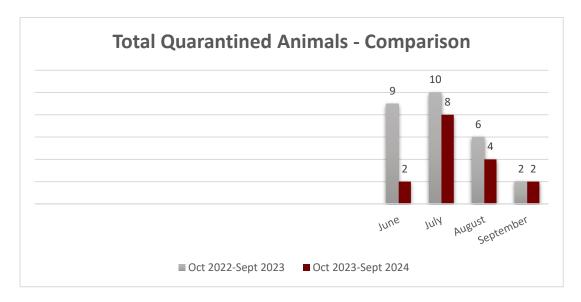


Volunteers



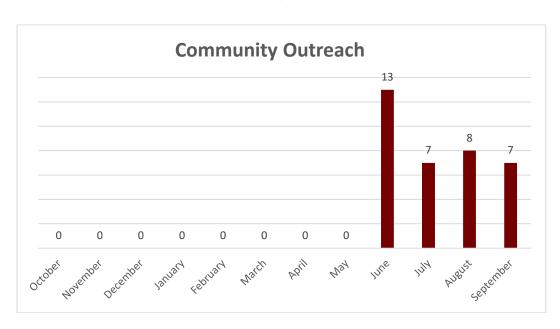
Volunteers perform a myriad of tasks at the shelter from walking dogs, to playing with puppies and kittens. It is very beneficial for the animals to be able to spend some time outside of their cage with one-on-one human contact. Socializing and daily exercise helps reduce stress on the animals and also help make them more adoptable.

Animal Quarantine



Animals that bite are subject to quarantine and are required to quarantine the animal for not less than ten days confinement from the date of the bite, at the owner's expense.

Community Outreach



Community outreach enables us to go out and interact with the community to improve adoptions, improve communication with residents and animal services, and provide unique services to get the community involved.

Definitation of Terms can be found here:

www.burlesontx.com/terms



Oct 2023 - Sep 2024

Fiscal Year End Report





Animal

Oct 2023 - Sep 2024

TOTAL ANIMALS HANDLED BY BAS

INCOMING ANIMALS



STRAY ANIMALS

SURRENDERED

OUTGOING ANIMALS







99%

ADOPTIONS

REUNIONS

LIVE RELEASE RATE*

* live release is based on the euthanasia of healthy and adoptable animals

ADDITIONAL SHELTER STATISTICS



485 🔀 754

WARNINGS WRITTEN

VOLUNTEER HOURS



97 PA 4,293

OUTREACH EVENTS SHELTER VISITORS



HUMANE EUTHANASIA

(MEDICAL)

(BEHAVIOR -**INCLUDES FERAL)**

VACCINATIONS

SPAY/NEUTER



MICROCHIPPED





DEPARTMENT: Community Services

FROM: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager

MEETING: November 13, 2024

SUBJECT:

Receive a report and discuss the Adoption Trailer sponsors. (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

SUMMARY:

The animal shelter is taking donations to purchase an adoption trailer. The trailer will allow the shelter team to hold more off-site adoptions year-round and place animals in their forever homes. Review current sponsor's list and amounts, and the total amount of funds raised to date.

RECOMMENDATION:

No action is required of the committee; this item is informational only and for general discussion.

PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):

N/A

REFERENCE:

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

Budgeted Y/N: N Fund Name: Full Account #: Amount:

STAFF CONTACT:

Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager 817-426-9283 kpeckler@burlesontx.com



Adoption Trailer Sponsors

Diamond Forever Home \$7,500	Platinum Heart \$2,500	Gold Tail \$1,000	Silver Whisker \$500	Bronze Paw \$250	Total
	Burleson Police Officers Association	First National Bank	City Market	Diane Lybbert	\$20,750.03
	The Garage Men's Grooming	Carla McGhee	Accents of Burleson	Adam Russell	
	Guardian Veterinary Center			Kay Godbey	
	Burleson Citizen Police Academy			Pat McClure & Dean Jones	







DEPARTMENT: Community Services

FROM: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager

MEETING: November 13, 2024

SUBJECT:

Receive a report and discuss the Migratory Bird Prevention Efforts. (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

SUMMARY:

Animal Services staff has encountered an egret rookery on Shady Oaks. Every fall and spring, staff distributes educational flyers to the neighborhoods where the rookeries are and adjacent neighborhoods. Staff distributed 700+ educational flyers (see Exhibit 3) to the areas outlined in the attached map in February. A meeting was held with residents in this area in October for additional education.

RECOMMENDATION:

No action is required of the committee; this item is informational only and for general discussion.

PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

STAFF CONTACT:

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Egrets

Animal Shelter Advisory Committee Meeting November 13, 2024

Photos





Community Outreach





This summer, an egret rookery was established in the Shady Oaks neighborhood. Since egrets are federally protected once nesting begins, neither the city nor the residents could remove them. The large number of birds in the rookery caused significant disruption, including excessive noise, unpleasant odors, and damage to trees and grass. To address the issue, the city will host a meeting with Urban Biologist Adam Henry to discuss effective strategies for deterring egrets in the future.

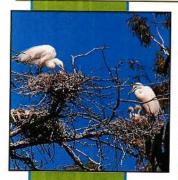


Animal Services

City of Burleson Neighborhood Services

Fall 2024 Community Information

Prevention of Migratory Birds In 2024



Habit Modification for Egrets/Herons

Migratory bird nesting has presented considerable challenges in and around your neighborhood in the past few years. In an effort to deter this nesting activity, the City will be collaborating with your neighborhood to assist with reducing/eliminating nesting for the 2024 season. It is important that action is taken during the fall / winter months before the egrets / herons arrive in the spring.

Here is how you can help:

Tree Maintenance (prior to spring)

- · Trim tree canopy to allow sunlight to shine between limbs and other trees.
- Team up with your neighbors when hiring a tree trimming service and ask for discount rates for group service.
- · Remove old / abandoned nests from the previous nesting season so that they do not attract egrets.
- · Remove any / all underbrush





early nesting material.

themselves.





Migratory Bird Deterrent Measures

✓ Be on the lookout for "sentry" or "scout" birds, they are the first to arrive looking for

Check for twigs on the ground, increased bird droppings and an increase in bird

✓ Use noisemakers, water spray or shine lights at night, hang "scare eye" balloons or other moving objects in trees, use long poles, tennis balls or water hoses to disturb

AFTER TRIMMING TREES -Before nesting season begins (December - February)

✓ Report sightings to your neighbors and to the city. (817-426-9283).

✓ Begin scare tactics as soon as you see birds on or near your property.

✓ Be a good neighbor and help those near you who may not be able to help.

Check daily for birds and nesting material in your trees.





Snowy Egret Great Blue Heron Great Egret

Little Blue Heron

What Will the City Do?

- > The City has purchased two migratory bird deterrent sounds systems that can be strategically placed in areas to discourage birds from nesting in neigborhoods.
- City staff will be on high patrol during the start of the of nesting season. Please contact Animal Services if you have sightings of the

Contact Information

For questions, bird sightings in trees, and general information regarding migratory birds:

 Burleson Animal Services 817-426-9283 animalshelter@burlesontx.com

For Additional information contact:

- Texas Parks and Wildlife 972-293-3841
- Texas Wildlife Services 817-978-3146



Prevention

Rookery sites can be made less attractive to birds by selectively cutting and pruning trees to open the stand 50-75%.

City of Burleson Animal Services 817-426-9283

animalshelter@burlesontx.com









Question and Comments?

Migratory Bird 'Egrets' Educational Flyers Distribution Map







DEPARTMENT: Community Services

FROM: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager

MEETING: November 13, 2024

SUBJECT:

Summary of the Community Outreach. (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

SUMMARY:

Animal Services Officer Shelby Welch attends local events and holds offsite adoptions at some events to help with the shelter's overpopulation. Officer Brennan Jones attends the Assisted Living program. Below is a list of current events.

Offsite Adoption Events:

- August 9, 2024: Sonics Big Birthday Bash
- August 17, 2024: 8th Annual Mega Adoption Event Amon G Carter Exhibit Hall
- October 21, 2024: Bring a dog to the city council meeting. (showcase adoptable dogs) (Quarterly)
- November 2, 2024: Senior Center Adoption Event

Community Outreach Events:

- Career days at 1 Elementary School Clinkscale
- Boo Bash
- Dogs and Donuts
- Clifford Attends weekly visits to Mustang Creek Estates and Mariposa with Officer Brennan Jones (Assisted Living)
- Egret Education and Information
- Emergency Preparedness Event

RECOMMENDATION:

No action is required of the committee; this item is informational only and for general discussion.

PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):

N/A

REFERENCE:

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

<u>STAFF CONTACT:</u> Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager 817-426-9283 kpeckler@burlesontx.com

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Community Outreach

Animal Shelter Advisory Committee Meeting November 13, 2024

Offsite Adoption Events













• Yappy Hour October 17, 2024

• Bring a dog to city council meeting October 21, 2024

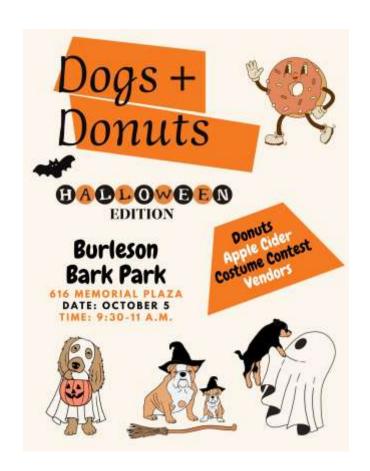
 Senior Center Adoption Event November 2, 2024



Community Outreach









- Boo Bash
 October 19, 2024
- Emergency Preparedness Fair October 26, 2024



Community Outreach







- Career day at Clinkscale Elementary School
- Clifford attend weekly visits to Mustang Creek Estates and Mariposa with officer Jones
- Egret Education and Information



Question and Comments?





DEPARTMENT: Community Services

FROM: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager

MEETING: November 13, 2024

SUBJECT:

Summary of the fundraisers held for the Animal Shelter. (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

SUMMARY:

Burleson Animal Services held the following fundraisers:

- A Calendar of pets adopted from the shelter over the years
- Fill in the Paw
- Howl-O-Ween Costume Contest
- Sonics Birthday Celebration
- Railroaders Baseball Game

RECOMMENDATION:

No action is required of the committee; this item is informational only and for general discussion.

PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):

N/A

REFERENCE:

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

STAFF CONTACT:

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Fundraisers

Animal Shelter Advisory Committee Meeting November 13, 2024

Sonic's 5th Birthday













Cleburne Railroaders





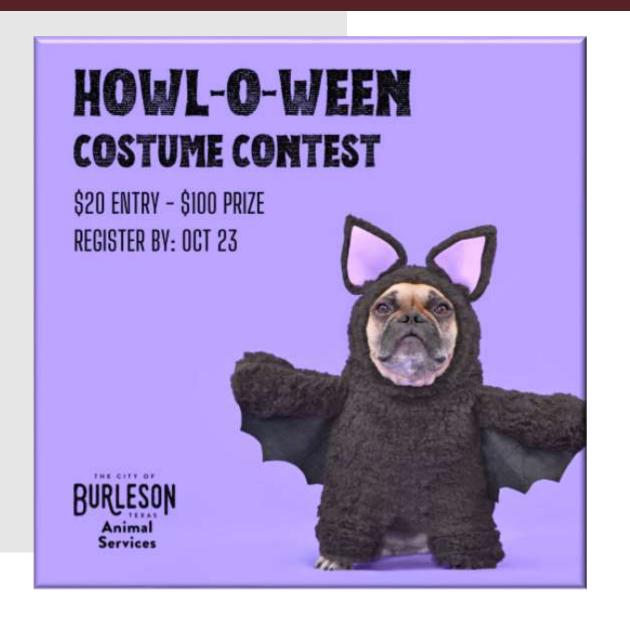






Come watch the Cleburne
Railroaders take on the Kane
County Cougars on Aug. 21 and \$5
from EVERY TICKET gets donated
to the Burleson Animal Shelter.

Howl-O-Ween Costume Contest







Got a fur-baby with serious costume game? Show them off and help a great cause at the same time! All proceeds from the contest go directly to the Burleson Animal Shelter, to help out animals in need.

Plus, there's a chance for YOU to win a sweet \$100 gift card to any Burleson business you choose!

Fill in the Paw





Ask your friends and family to donate the amount shown on each spot. Color in the spot once you get a donation.

Once you've filled the paw, bring it to the shelter with your collected donations. You'll get to have your photo taken with Clifford the Big Red Dog as a thank you for helping!

Adopted Pets Calendar





Are you a proud pet parent of an adopted furry friend from the Burleson Animal Shelter? We're excited to announce our 2025 calendar fundraiser, featuring adorable adoptees just like yours!

- Pay a \$100 fee (first come, first served basis).
- Submit a high-quality photo of your adopted pet from the Burleson Animal Shelter.
- Your pet will be featured in a month of the calendar. Bonus: Those who have their pet in the calendar will receive a FREE copy!



Question and Comments?