



Animal Care Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
March 20, 2019

ROLL CALL:

Present: Shumer, Elbasani, Sequoia, Stevens

Secretary: Amelia Funghi

5 member of the public was present

3 members of the public spoke

MOTION I: Elbasani/Shumer
To approve the minutes from January 16, 2019

Aye: Elbasani, Shumer, Sequoia, Stevens
Motion Passed

MOTION II: Elbasani/Stevens
To adopt the 2019 Animal Care Commission Work Plan (*see attached*)

Aye: Elbasani, Shumer, Sequoia, Stevens
Motion Passed

Next ACC regular meeting on May 15, 2019, 7:00 pm at the Dona Spring Animal Shelter.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Berkeley Animal Care Commission 2019 Annual Work Plan

The top priority projects for the coming year are as follows:

1. Infrastructure:

A. Obtain permission to enclose an area close to the animal shelter suitable for training and exercising large dogs. The area under the pedestrian bridge leading to the Berkeley City Marina would be a suitable location.

2. Advocacy

A. Homeless people and their pets - Continue to support efforts to ensure that pets are not separate from their companions. Make available food and other supplies that will enable all people in need to keep their pets with them, particularly in times of stress.

B. Pet Friendly Housing - Bring to the attention of Berkeley's City Council Members, the city's administrators and landlords the need for pet-friendly housing. Examples of other cities efforts to ensure adequate pet-friendly housing should be obtained and forwarded to the relevant groups.

C. In Berkeley we share our living space with a number of other animal species: Turkeys, Coyotes, Skunks, Opossums, Raccoons, and perhaps a mountain lion, or two. It is important that we keep the human population aware of the presents of these animals and how best to deal with their presence among us.