

### **Sec. 4-3.1. - Animal control services advisory committee board designated established.**

(a) An animal control services advisory committee ~~("board")~~ is hereby created which shall act as an advisory body to the city and shall:

- (1) Review operations of the city animal shelter;
- (2) Provide guidance to the animal control division in complying with all provisions of V.T.C.A. Health and Safety Code, Chapter 823, as amended; and
- (3) Perform such other duties as may be assigned by the city council.

(b) It shall be composed of at least five-nine members. ~~One (1) of the members shall be the supervisor of animal control or his designee who shall be a person whose duties include the daily operation of an animal shelter.~~ The ~~remaining~~ members of the committee board shall be appointed by the city council and shall include ~~at least one (1) of each of~~ the following:

- (1) A licensed veterinarian with a practice within the city limits of Mesquite;
- (2) A county or municipal official;
- ~~(3) An One individual whose duties include the daily operation of an animal shelter;~~
- ~~(4) A Two (2) representatives~~ from ~~an~~ animal welfare organizations that are approved to provide rescue services for the Mesquite animal shelter; and
- ~~(5) A disinterested layman~~Four (4) qualified voters of the City of Mesquite.

(c) The appointive members shall hold office from the date of appointment until their reappointment or until their successors have been appointed. They shall serve without compensation for a term of two (2) years and may be removed by the city council at any time. Vacancies shall be filled by appointment for the unexpired term.

(d) The advisory committee board shall meet at least ~~three-four~~ (43) times a year; ~~or as required by law.~~

(e) The advisory board shall annually elect a Chair and Vice-chair.

(1) The Chair shall preside over meetings and shall be entitled to vote upon each issue. In the event a question over procedure arises, Robert's Rules of Order shall prevail.

(2) The Vice-chair shall assist the Chair in directing the affairs of the advisory board. In the absence of the Chair, the Vice-chair shall assume the duties of the Chair.

(f) Attendance at all meetings is encouraged. Should a member fail to attend two consecutive meetings without prior notification to the chair of such absences, that member immediately forfeits his or her office, and the city secretary shall notify the city council and the chair of the vacancy.