



# CITY OF BAYTOWN

## NOTICE OF MEETING

ANIMAL CONTROL ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2022  
4:30 P.M.  
FIRST FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM, CITY HALL ANNEX  
220 WEST DEFEE STREET, BAYTOWN, TEXAS 77520

### AGENDA

#### CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF QUORUM

1. DISCUSSIONS

- a. Receive and discuss a presentation from a volunteer currently assisting in the TNR program within the City of Baytown.
- b. Receive and discuss an updated cat and dog microchip ordinance draft.

2. BUSINESS ITEMS

- a. Consider approving the cat and dog microchip ordinance draft as final to proceed with presenting to City Council.

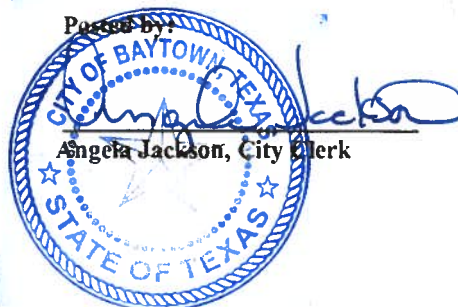
3. ADJOURN

THE CITY OF BAYTOWN IS COMMITTED TO COMPLIANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS AND EQUAL ACCESS TO COMMUNICATIONS WILL BE PROVIDED UPON REQUEST. FOR ASSISTANCE PLEASE CALL 281-420-6522, FAX 281-420-6586, OR CONTACT 281-420-6522 VIA RELAY TEXAS AT 711 OR 1-800-735-2988 FOR TTY SERVICES. FOR MORE INFORMATION CONCERNING RELAY TEXAS, PLEASE VISIT: [HTTP://RELAYTEXAS.COM](http://RELAYTEXAS.COM).

Approved for posting:

  
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Tony Gray, Health Director

Posted this 9th day of September, 2022, at 5:00 P.M.





**SPECIAL ANIMAL CONTROL ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE**

**1. a.**

**Meeting Date:** 09/15/2022

**Subject:** Receive and discuss a presentation from a volunteer currently assisting in the TNR program within the City of Baytown.

**Prepared by:** Miriam Hernandez, Health

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**Information**

**ITEM**

Receive and discuss a presentation from a volunteer currently assisting in the TNR program within the City of Baytown.

**PREFACE**

This item allows for Committee Members to receive a presentation from a volunteer who is currently assisting with the trap, neuter, and release program within the City of Baytown.

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**SPECIAL ANIMAL CONTROL ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE**

**1. b.**

**Meeting Date:** 09/15/2022

**Subject:** Receive and discuss an updated cat and dog microchip ordinance draft.

**Prepared by:** Miriam Hernandez, Health

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**Information**

**ITEM**

Receive and discuss an updated cat and dog microchip ordinance draft.

**PREFACE**

This item allows for the Committee Members to receive an updated cat and dog microchip ordinance draft from Legal based on committee feedback from the last regular Animal Control Advisory Committee meeting held on July 21, 2022.

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**Attachments**

Baytown Michrochip Ordinance.pdf

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Effective Date: January 1, 2023

## **Sec. 14-9 Microchip Required**

- (a) All dogs and cats kept within the corporate city limits must be microchipped.
- (b) The owner of any dog or cat must have the animal implanted with a registered microchip before the animal attains four (4) months of age.
- (c) It is an affirmative defense to prosecution under this section that:
  - (1) the owner of the dog or cat has resided in the city for fewer than thirty (30) calendar days.
  - (2) the dog or cat was under four (4) months of age;
  - (3) the dog or cat was being held for sale by a retail pet store or for adoption by Animal Services or an animal Rescue Organization;
  - (4) the dog or cat was owned by a governmental agency or veterinarian; or
  - (5) the dog or cat qualifies for a medical exception from a licensed veterinarian in writing;
- (d) The owner of a dog or cat must keep the microchip link information current with the microchip registration company to ensure the animal owner can be contacted in the event of an emergency.
  - (1) If the owner's contact information changes for the registered microchipped dog or cat, the owner shall update the contact information, including address and telephone number, with the microchip registration company within thirty (30) calendar days after the change in contact information.
  - (2) If the ownership of the registered microchipped dog or cat changes, the initial owner shall be responsible for ensuring the microchip is no longer registered in the initial owner's name within thirty (30) calendar days after the change in ownership.
  - (3) The new owner shall be responsible for re-registering the microchip in the new owner's name, to include the new address and telephone number, within thirty (30) calendar days after the change in ownership.
- (e) All dogs or cats that are processed through or held in the animal shelter shall be microchipped prior to being released to an adopted owner or released to a prior owner. The cost of the microchip will be added to the adoption fees or impoundment fees.
- (e) The microchip fee is nonrefundable and may be used only for the dog or cat for which it was issued.



**SPECIAL ANIMAL CONTROL ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE**

**2. a.**

**Meeting Date:** 09/15/2022

**Subject:** Consider approving the cat and dog microchip ordinance draft as final to proceed with presenting to City Council.

**Prepared by:** Miriam Hernandez, Health

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**Information**

**ITEM**

Consider approving the cat and dog microchip ordinance draft as final to proceed with presenting to City Council.

**PREFACE**

This item allows the Committee Members to vote on the cat and dog microchip ordinance draft as final and proceed with presenting it to City Council at the next available meeting.

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