



COUNTY OF YOLO

YOLO ANIMAL SERVICES PLANNING AGENCY JPA

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To: Yolo Animal Services Planning Agency JPA (YASPA JPA)

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Subject: Consider approval of a standing item on future agendas for soliciting input and recommendations from local community-based organizations.

Background

At the August 17, 2023, meeting of the YASPA JPA, the members requested that staff explore possibilities for allowing local non-profit entities with an interest in Animal Services to engage more directly with the JPA.

After exploring the matter, reviewing the JPA's founding agreement, and discussion with counsel, staff determined that a formal role on the body would not be possible. Instead, staff is recommending the establishment of standing regular agenda item, which would be on the agenda at all future meetings. This item would provide opportunity for local non-profit entities to bring matters of import or concern to the attention of the JPA membership. Non-profits would be encouraged to form their own working groups separate from the JPA, and to use these working groups to coalesce input, comments, and recommendations that could then be presented during the standing regular agenda item.

Staff Recommendations

Approve the establishment of a standing regular agenda item to solicit comments, input, recommendations, and/or presentations from local non-profit entities with an interest in Animal Services-related matters.