

**THE GOVERNING BOARD  
OF THE JOINT POWERS AGENCY OF THE  
STANISLAUS ANIMAL SERVICES AGENCY (SASA)**  
Meeting Minutes

**Regular Meeting**

**Monday**

**February 5, 2018**

**Members Present:**

Ken Irwin, City of Patterson - Chair  
Toby Wells, City of Ceres  
Raul Mendez, City of Hughson  
Jody Hayes, Stanislaus County  
Joe Lopez, City of Modesto  
Michael Pitcock, City of Waterford  
Capt. Craig Gundlach, Modesto Alternate

**Members Absent:**

None

**Staff Present:**

Annette Patton, Executive Director  
Martha Ruano, Manager II  
Linda Ford, Confidential Assistant  
Deirdre McGrath, Deputy County Counsel  
Tina Rocha, Chief Executive Office  
Alice Mimms, County Counsel  
Ryan Leupp, Facilitator

**Guests and Dignitaries:**

Jim De Martini, Stanislaus County Supervisor

The meeting was called to order at 1:40 p.m. by Ken Irwin, Chair.

1. **Roll call:** See above
3. **Public Comment:** None
4. **New Business:**
  - A. Approved the Execution of a Lease Agreement with Lander Veterinary Clinic for the use of 3643 Cornucopia Way.  
(Ceres/Hughson - 6/0)
  - B. Approved the Fee Waived Adoptions for February 10, 2018.  
(Hughson/Modesto - 6/0)

- C. Approved the Executive Director to Work with County Counsel and the Chair to Finalize the Best Friends Animal Society Agreement and Delegated Final Approval to the Chair. (Stanislaus County/Ceres - 6/0)

Adjourned Regular Meeting at 2:08 p.m. to go into Closed Session.

**2. Closed Session:**

- Conference with Legal Counsel – Significant Exposure to Litigation: One matter involving claims of violation of various employment law rights. Government Code Section 54956.9(d) (2).

Reconvened the Regular Meeting at 2:45 p.m. Nothing to Report on Closed Session.

**4. New Business (Continued):**

- D. Discussed the Three Year Strategic Plan for Stanislaus Animal Services with Facilitator Ryan Leupp. SASA will come back, in March, with a status quo budget, no changes. From there, SASA will rank priorities for service level adjustments including soft costs, (not just salaries and benefits) and will include current measurements vs. projected.

**Member Referrals:** None

Adjourned Regular Meeting at 3:55 p.m.

ATTESTED: Linda Ford, Clerk  
of the Governing Board  
of the Joint Powers Agency  
of the Stanislaus Animal Services Agency  
State of California

(The above is a summary of the minutes of the Governing Board of the Joint Powers Agency. Complete minutes are available from the Clerk at Stanislaus Animal Services Agency, 3647 Cornucopia Way in Modesto, CA.)