



SPECIAL MEETING

Thursday, August 4, 2022, at 9:00 am

Stanislaus Animal Services Agency
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Joint Powers Agency Special Meeting Notice

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The agenda is divided into two sections:

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Stanislaus Animal Services Agency Board Special Meeting Agenda

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1. **Welcome**
2. **Roll Call (Silent):**
3. **Public Comment:**
4. **New Business:**
 - A. Authorize the temporary suspension of the intake of stray animals for a period between seven and twenty-one days from August 3, 2022 onwards. The conclusion of the suspension will be based on the recommendation of Dr. Sarah Cadwell at a time deemed safe to introduce new animals into the shelter environment.
5. **Adjournment**



**STANISLAUS ANIMAL SERVICES AGENCY
ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY**

AGENDA DATE: August 4, 2022

AGENDA #: 4A

SUBJECT:

Authorize the temporary suspension of the intake of stray animals for a period between seven and twenty-one days from August 3, 2022 onwards. The conclusion of the suspension will be based on the recommendation of Dr. Sarah Cadwell at a time deemed safe to introduce new animals into the shelter environment.

DISCUSSION:

Unfortunately, our shelter has confirmed the presence of streptococcus zooepidemicus (strep zoo) a highly infectious respiratory disease. This is a contagious bacterial infection that spreads rapidly in overcrowded shelter environments which can cause severe pneumonia and fatalities in dogs and possibly cats.

To end the further spreading of this virus and fully treat the animals already in our care, we are seeking to temporarily suspend the intake of stray animals until the virus is fully abated.

Over recent months we have had apparently healthy dogs die overnight from infectious respiratory disease. In the past few weeks the cases of severe pneumonia and fatalities has increased. Laboratory testing has confirmed the agent to be streptococcus zooepidemicus (strep zoo). This is a bacterial infection that causes outbreaks in overcrowded shelter environments.

Dr. Sarah Cadwell has consulted with Dr Karsten from UC Davis and she recommends we stop intake, treat all animals on site and reduce our population. This may take anywhere from 7-21 days. If we continue to allow our shelter to be overcrowded then we will continue to have outbreaks of fatal disease.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Authorize staff to temporarily suspend the intake of stray animals for a period between seven and twenty-one days from August 3, 2022 onwards.

AGENCY BOARD ACTION:

On motion of _____; Seconded by _____
and approved by the following vote:

Ayes: _____

Noes: _____

Excused or Absent: _____

Abstaining: _____

1) _____ Approved as recommended.

2) _____ Denied.

3) _____ Approved as amended.

Motion: _____