

RECOMMENDATION TO:

The Honorable Judge Barbara Canales, and the Nueces County Commissioners Court

FROM: Nueces County Animal Services Advisory Board

October 12, 2020

WHEREAS, Nueces County in accordance with the State of Texas Department of Health Services created an Animal Control operation fifty (plus or minus) years ago; and,

WHEREAS, this operation's supervision was placed under the umbrella of the joint City County Health District; and,

WHEREAS, over time the scope of operations has evolved to include an emphasis on rescues, adoptions, and maintaining a respectable low kill and live release rate; and,

WHEREAS, this greater emphasis on low kill - live release, rescues & adoptions has resulted in the rebranding of said operation;

NOW THEREFORE, WE, the Members of the Nueces County Animal Services Advisory Board do wholeheartedly recommend and support the removal of "Nueces County Animal Services: Care-Control & Adoptions" from under the direction / supervision of the City-County Health District and instead recommend that it be recognized as an individual standalone County Department with current Supervisor Juan Ramirez acting as Department Director under the direction/supervision of Nueces County Commissioners Court.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

Animal Services Advisory Board