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SANTA CRUZ COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES
JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY MEETING
SUMMARY MINUTES

Meeting Location:
500 Westridge, Community Room, Watsonville CA 95076
Monday, June 8, 2026 – 11:00AM

Audio Link: <https://www.scanimalshelter.org/board-of-director-meetings/>

VOTING KEY: Ry=Ryan, Be=Benson, M=Manning, T=Templeton, Th=Thul,
Ru=Rutherford, Ba=Baldwin, Mo=Morey, Fe=Feenan, Ro=Roberts
Abbreviations: Board Member (BM), General Manager (GM), Field Services Manager (FSM)

INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:** Chair Ryan called the meeting to order at 11:06 am.

Chair Ryan	Present
Vice-Chair Benson	Present
Frietas	Absent
Thul	Present
Morey	Present

Manning	Present
Templeton	Present
Feenan	Present
Rutherford	Absent
*Baldwin	Present
*Roberts	Present

* Lieutenant Dee Baldwin proxy for member Freitas

* Lieutenant Meredith Roberts proxy for member
Rutherford

2. **INTRODUCTIONS**
GM Rowland introduced new Board Member Morey, representative from City of Santa Cruz, attending their first meeting as sitting member.
3. **CONSIDERATION OF LATE ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**
Rowland brought attention to a typo that has been corrected on item 13, as well as a chart inclusion in item 17.
4. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**
There was one public comment. Please find the audio on the SCCAS website.

CONSENT AGENDA

5. Approve minutes of April 13, 2026 Board meeting, and May 12, 2026 Special meeting
6. Accept Management Reports for April and May 2026
7. Accept and file statistics for April and May 2026
8. Accept and approve financial reports for April and May 2026
9. Approve transfer of funds (AUD-74) for Annex roof repair
10. Accept gifts totaling \$40,874 from the Santa Cruz County Animal Shelter Foundation
11. Accept gift of equipment: 2012 Honda CR-V compact SUV
12. Approve disposal of equipment: 2004 BMW 330xi 4-door sedan
13. Approve the continuing agreements list for FY 2026-27
14. Appoint officers of the Board of Directors for FY 2026-27

Result: Approved Unanimously
Public Comment: None
Board Comment: None
Moved: Manning
Second: Templeton
Ayes: Ry, Be, M, Ba, T, Th, Fe, Mo, Ro

REGULAR AGENDA

15. Strategic Plan presentation by consultant Sarah Cohen – progress report

Result: Presentation by SCCAS Consultant, Sarah Coen
Public Comment: None
Board Comment: Please refer to June 8, 2026, JPA Board Meeting Audio for Board Comments

16. General Manager Oral Report

Result: Presentation by GM Rowland
Public Comment: None
Board Comment: Please refer to June 8, 2026, JPA Board Meeting Audio for Board Comments

17. Consider and approve General Manager's Recommended Budget for FY 2026-27

Result: Budget approved with 5% increase to member contributions
Public Comment: One comment
Board Comment: Please refer to June 8, 2026, JPA Board Meeting Audio for Board Comments
Ayes: Ry, Be, M, T, Fe, Mo, Ro
Absent: Th
Abstain: Ba

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ADJOURNMENT: Regular Meeting Adjourned at 12:36 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION:

18. Public Employee Performance Evaluation [CA Govt. Code §54957(b)] Joint Powers Authority Board's Performance Evaluation of General Manager Amber Rowland

ATTEST: _____
CHAIRPERSON RYAN

CLERK BAYLY