

# MIAMI BEACH

**394-2019**

NO. LTC#

## LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO: Mayor Dan Gelber and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Jimmy L. Morales, City Manager *Eric Carpenter for*

DATE: July 11, 2019

SUBJECT: **Animal Welfare Committee Motions**

The purpose of this Letter to Commission is to provide you with the motions made during the June 18, 2019 subcommittee meeting.

Members in Attendance: Chair Linda Diamond, Sara De Los Reyes, Jane Gross, Jaedra Wedel, Helen Swartz, Mary Thingelstad, Sara Velasquez, Pedro Cofino

Members Absent: Brooke Owens

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1. **MOTION:** Asking that the City Commission consider legislation shifting responsibility in cases of animal deaths/harm when fumigating from property owner to fumigator.
    - a. This proposal asks that the commission consider citing violations of this ordinance be cited under cruel confinement
      - i. Amended under Chapter 10 of the City Code
      - ii. Implement fine structure per dead animal (eg. \$250/animal)

Motion made by: Member Helen Swartz

Seconded by: Member Sara de Los Reyes

**Motion passed 8-0**

2. **MOTION:** Asking the City Commission implement a registration and notification process for properties considering fumigation.
  - a. Notification for tenants
  - b. Registration/permitting for proper installation of a one-way door
  - c. Consider a fine structure

Motion made by: Member Pedro Cofino

Seconded by: Member Sara de Los Reyes

**Motion passed 8-0**

3. **MOTION:** Asking the City Commission to consider a community pet washing station and report back options to the Animal Welfare Committee (to include revenue-sharing models).

Motion made by: Member Sara de Los Reyes

Seconded by: Member Jane Gross

**Motion passed 8-0**

4. **MOTION:** Asking the City Commission to consider a Miami Beach community animal adoption shelter/center with:
- a. Funding assistance for sick/injured animals
  - b. Community education on preventative animal care

Motion made by: Member Sara de Los Reyes

Seconded by: Member Jaedra Wedel

**Motion passed 8-0**

5. **MOTION:** Asking the City Commission to extend the community cat feeder and watering program.

Motion made by: Member Mary Thingelstad

Seconded by: Member Jane Gross

**Motion passed 8-0**

6. **MOTION:** Asking the City Commission to increase funding for trap, neuter, and release (TNR) programs.
- a. To include continuing project Cat Snip

Motion made by: Member Sara de Los Reyes

Seconded by: Member Jane Gross

**Motion passed 8-0**

  
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