



Item: Resolution 9780 Rescinding Amended Resolution 9749
From: Cheryl Patton, Assistant City Manager
Initiated By: City Commission
Presented By: Cheryl Patton, Assistant City Manager
Action Requested: Adopt Resolution 9780

Suggested Motion:

1. Commissioner moves:

“I move that the City Commission (adopt/deny) Resolution 9780.

2. Mayor calls for a second, discussion, inquiries from the public, and calls the vote.

Staff Recommendation: After discussion at the Work Session on September 2, 2008, it was the direction of the City Commission for staff to prepare an agenda item to consider rescinding Amended Resolution 9749 which created an Animal Ordinance/Shelter Operations Advisory Committee.

Background: Recommendations were made by Kim Staton, Animal Welfare Expert, and Elizabeth Baker, the City’s Special Examiner, to establish an animal advisory committee to review complaints regarding the City’s operation of the shelter. On June 17, 2008, Amended Resolution 9749 was passed creating an animal ordinance/shelter operations advisory committee. The committee would be charged with advising the City Commission on issues concerning animal ordinances and animal shelter operations. Resolution 9749 outlined the committee composition to include best efforts to appoint two members recommended by the Human Society of Cascade County, two members recommended by the Animal Foundation of Great Falls, and three members appointed from the elected Neighborhood Council members.

However, neither the Animal Foundation nor the Humane Society of Cascade County have submitted recommendations for appointment. The only applications that have been received were from three interested Neighborhood Council members. Therefore it is questioned whether such an advisory committee is necessary or desired at the present time.

Fiscal Impact: None.

Alternatives: The City Commission could deny said request.

Attachments/Exhibits: Resolution 9780