



# Broward County

## Legislation Text

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### **Broward County Commission Regular Meeting**

**Director's Name:** Lamar P. Fisher

**Department:** County Commission

### **Information**

#### **Requested Action**

A. MOTION TO APPOINT NOMINEE Tracey Wekar-Paige to the Animal Care Advisory Committee.

*(Transferred to the Consent Agenda.)*

**ACTION: (T-10:51 AM) Approved.**

**VOTE: 9-0.**

B. MOTION TO ADOPT Resolution No. 2021-140 waiving Section 12.290(a) of the Broward County Administrative Code ("Administrative Code") to allow Tracey Wekar-Paige to be appointed to the Animal Care Advisory Committee notwithstanding her involvement with an organization that would meet one of the prohibited membership categories described in Section 12.290(a)(1)-(9) of the Administrative Code. (Commissioner Fisher)

*(Transferred to the Consent Agenda.)*

**ACTION: (T-10:51 AM) Approved.**

**VOTE: 9-0.**

#### **Why Action is Necessary**

Board action is required to waive the Administrative Code and to fill an at-large vacancy on the Animal Care Advisory Committee.

#### **What Action Accomplishes**

Adopts the proposed Resolution and appoints Tracey Wekar-Paige to the Animal Care Advisory Committee.

#### **Is this Action Goal Related**

No

#### **Previous Action Taken**

### **Summary Explanation/Background**

Commissioner Fisher nominates Tracey Wekar-Paige for appointment at-large to serve on the Animal Care Advisory Committee (“ACAC”).

Ms. Wekar-Paige is the President of Cat Pals, a nonprofit organization that fundraises, supplies food, water, medical care, and rehoming to a colony of abandoned and feral cats.

Currently, Section 12.290 of the Broward County Administrative Code (“Administrative Code”) prohibits the two at-large appointees to the ACAC from fitting within any of the nine identified membership categories for the ACAC members nominated by individual members of the Board of County Commissioners (the “Board”). One of these categories of ACAC member is “[a] member of a local, nonprofit organization providing support or services to stray or unwanted animals.”

Ms. Wekar-Paige would be an asset to the ACAC, and the current prohibition on the two at-large members of the ACAC not otherwise fitting into any of the nine enumerated membership categories severely restricts the ability to secure qualified individuals to fulfill the ACAC’s purpose to advise the Board in developing public policies concerning animal issues, and to assist in goal setting and long-range planning for the Animal Care and Adoption Division.

Adoption of the proposed Resolution would waive the prohibition in Section 12.290 of the Administrative Code and allow the Board’s consideration of Ms. Wekar-Paige for the at-large appointment to the ACAC.

### **Source of Additional Information**

### **Fiscal Impact**

#### **Fiscal Impact/Cost Summary**

No fiscal impact