



AGENDA MEMO

Business of the City Council
City of Sweeny, Texas

Meeting Date	08/19/2025	Agenda Items	
Approved by City Manager	Yes	Presenter(s)	Administration
Reviewed by City Attorney		Department	Animal Control
Subject	Discussion and possible action to appoint the Rabies Control Authority.		
Attachments / Supporting documents	DSHS Rabies Control Authority Form, DSHS Shelter Inspection 2025		
Financial Information	Expenditure Required:	N/A	
	Amount Budgeted:	N/A	
	Account Number:		
	Additional Appropriation Required:		
	Additional Account Number:		

Executive Summary

Council will need to appoint the Rabies Control Authority for the City for the purpose of the Rabies Control Act of 1981 for the Texas Department of State Health Services.

Currently our ordinance reads that the Director of Public Works is the Local Rabies Control Authority.

Animal Control is under the supervision of the Police Department.

We will need to designate and determine if our ordinance needs to be amended depending on the selected designee.

§ 95.02 ENFORCEMENT; RESPONSIBILITY.

The City Council hereby designates the Director of Public Works for the City of Sweeny as the Local Rabies Control Authority who shall be responsible for the enforcement of this chapter and for the impounding of animals and fowl, the adoption thereof or destruction thereof, and for such other duties required to enforce this chapter.

(Ord. 102-15, passed 12-16-14)

Recommended Action

To designate _____ (person) of the _____ (animal control, police department, public works) as the Rabies Control Authority for the purpose of the Rabies Control Act of 1981, and to amend the ordinance to reflect accordingly if necessary.