

Here are responses to the questions.

See you Sunday

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1. The "No Kill" status is very important to me...it is an evolutionary advance in our treatment of our fellow living beings. I am so pleased we are doing it, and will maintain it and "strive for 95%".
2. That seems to make sense, but I would need more information in order to make a good decision. For instance, I always ask how much things cost, and, as a councilmember, always have to weigh needs in one area in relation to needs in another.
3. I would assume that there would have to be an RFP (Request for Proposals) done by the city to give every interested party an opportunity to present their best case. I think reducing the "kill rate" would be an important criteria to include in the RFP, and I would give great weight to that element of the final decision.
4. I would vote for more resources to save more lives. Because of my experience as a councilmember in dealing with budgets, I have some specific ideas on where those additional dollars would come from.
5. Yes. I am open to all ideas that would save more lives.
6. Quite possibly...I think that approach is generally an effective incentive. I would first want to get the City Manager's perspective on it, before I commit to it.
7. I would need to learn more about this issue. Thanks for bringing it to my attention.
8. I would need to learn more about this issue before I can pledge to use city resources for this purpose.
9. Let's continue on this path, more and better. This approach is so much more humane and enlightened, more civilized, really. As a councilmember, I would lead a public awareness campaign to increase responsible pet ownership, and the many benefits of having pets in our lives. I have a cat, Little Buddy Guy, who is my best pal. She found me in the country when she was just a tiny kitten.
10. Dec. 2010 to March 2011 is a pretty short timeframe for an ongoing, chronic problem. A 90% save rate over that time is impressive, and very promising...the challenge is to maintain and improve it over the long haul. I want to learn more about why a "mandatory alteration law" would be ineffective, or worse... I am all for improving the "save rate", and will work toward that goal. We are off to a good start...I pledge to continue in that direction.

Thank you for all of your work to save the lives of animals, and for sharing your knowledge through posing these questions and providing information.

As a councilmember, I will look forward to working with you to advance this worthy cause.