

**CHAMBER OF THE BOARD OF CITY COMMISSIONERS  
YANKTON, SOUTH DAKOTA  
CITY COMMISSION WORK SESSION, 6:00 P.M.  
November 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2023**

Work Session of the Board of City Commissioners of the City of Yankton was called to order by Mayor Moser.

**Roll Call:** Present: Commissioners Benson, Brunick, Hunhoff, Johnson, Miner, Schramm and Villanueva. City Attorney Den Herder and City Manager Leon were also present. Quorum present.

Commissioner Webber arrived at 6:15 p.m.

There were no public appearances at this time.

City Manager Amy Leon gave a brief explanation of the current ordinance and referred the Commission and the audience to the work session memorandum. Police Chief Foote commented on some concerns and history dealing with various animals previously at large in our community. City Attorney Den Herder presented comments about the City's liability for care when and if animals are impounded. Citizen Wanda Fox presented the Commission with a handout urging the Commissioners to amend our current animal ordinance to allow pigmy goats and potbelly pigs. She explained her dealings with an acquaintance who owns a pigmy goat and also talked about some of her own research about their emotional support and certifications. After more Commission questions and discussions, direction was given to City Staff to clarify some community ordinances that allow some hoofed animals as service animals, or pets in particular, in cities like Aberdeen, Box Elder, Brookings and Mitchell and present this to the Commission. No official action was taken at this work session.

Action 23-309

Moved by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Miner, to adjourn at 6:57 p.m.

**Roll Call:** All members present voting "Aye;" voting "Nay:" None.  
Motion adopted.

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Stephanie Moser  
Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Al Viereck  
Finance Officer

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