

TX-RPOA E-News

>From RPOA Texas Outreach and
Responsible Pet Owners Alliance
"Animal welfare, not animal 'rights'
and, yes, there is a difference."
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Correction to earlier El Paso Alert!

We finally received a copy of the El Paso Chapter 7 Revisions being voted on tomorrow (Tuesday, July 13th). It is now posted on our website:
www.rpoatexasoutreach.org under the El Paso Tab.

No pet sales "ban" is being proposed. Our subject was misleading and RPOA prides itself on keeping the truth on the table. Rather it is a requirement that all dogs and cats sold by pet stores must be spayed/neutered unless the animal is registered at the standard fee prior to sale or transfer.

As we wrote in our earlier Alert, El Paso city offices were closed Friday and with the weekend approaching, we couldn't get a copy of the actual proposal until now. But due to the need to alert El Paso members in so little time, we went ahead and sent out the council meeting notice, mostly relying on a Fox News story. This broke our Golden Rule to have ordinance in hand.

After reading the El Paso proposal closely, there are some problems that should be scrutinized more closely ... if there was time. There is an exception listed for "Competition Cats and Dogs" regarding paying the discounted established registration fees. But there is no definition for same. Very poorly written.

The Animal Litter Permit will be a failure as in San Antonio ordinance. In Sunday's [San Antonio Express-News](#), there were five Litter Permits sold out of 134 Classified Ads. The majority of ads are out of the city limits as we told San Antonio before they passed the Litter Permits requirement. The litters are being dumped rather than buy the permit and the same can be expected in El Paso. Our earlier alert is also posted on the RPOA Texas Outreach website if you no longer have it.