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Dear Commission Streamlining Task Force,

I'm writing to strongly recommend that San Francisco **keep the Commission of Animal Control and Welfare**.

I've been following the Commission closely for months—attending meetings, offering public comment, and seeing firsthand the commissioners' compassion and depth of care. I even applied for one of the open seats because I believe deeply in their mission and impact.

The Commission plays a **unique and irreplaceable role** by addressing issues city departments cannot. Recent discussions have included the **plan to install artificial turf at Crocker Amazon Park**, the **continuation of live animal markets** (recently exposed by **Animal Outlook**), an **information session about the welfare and environmental concerns of introducing pandas to the SF Zoo**, and a proposed **ban on cruel glue traps** used in the city.

At a time when animal welfare, public health, and environmental responsibility are deeply connected, San Francisco needs this independent and compassionate voice—not less of it.

Please retain the **Commission of Animal Control and Welfare**.

Sincerely,  
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