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Houston ponders spay-neuter law; “DogTown” return makes a splash; and other news.

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Houston Ponders Making it Law to Spay, Neuter Pets

Don't look now, but the Houston City Council is starting to sound a lot like Bob Barker. Some council members have embraced the mantra of the retired game show host, who closed every broadcast of “The Price is Right” by urging viewers to “Help control the pet population. Have your pet spayed or neutered,” the Houston Chronicle reports.

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Review: ‘DogTown’: ‘The Michael Vick Dogs’

It has been a summer of awe-inspiring, thought-provoking spectacle on television. First the Summer Olympics, and now the return of “DogTown.” The two-hour season premiere of the popular National Geographic Channel show is titled “Saving the Michael Vick Dogs,” and if there were such a thing as an Olympics for animal rescue and rehabilitation, this would be it, the Los Angeles Times reports.

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Pit Bull Breeder Sentenced to 15 Months in Prison

In what prosecutors say is Johnson County's first criminal case involving dogfighting, Reginald Marcellus Anderson was sentenced Tuesday to 15 months in prison, the Kansas City Star reports.

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Canine Country Club Offers ‘Spaw’ Treatments

How does a relaxing day of spa treatment sound? A nice massage? Maybe a pedicure? Perhaps a yoga class? A company is offering dog owners a chance to pamper themselves and their dogs, as long as the dog has what it takes to join an exclusive canine country club, News 8 (San Diego, Ca.) reports.

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Apparent Bear Encounter Painful for Dog

A 4 1/2-year-old Whippet barely escaped death this week after an apparent encounter with a black bear and her two cubs outside a South Lake Tahoe home, the Tahoe (Calif.) Daily Tribune reports.

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