

PERSONNEL AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a proposed agreement with the Lucy Pet Foundation for a mobile spay/neuter clinic.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. APPROVE the agreement, attached to the Council file, with the Lucy Pet Foundation, approved as to form by the City Attorney.
2. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, Department of Animal Services (DAS), to sign and execute the agreement.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The DAS reports that there is no cost to the City.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

TIME LIMIT FILE - JANUARY 29, 2016

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - JANUARY 29, 2016)

Summary:

On December 16, 2015, your Committee considered a November 14, 2015 DAS report relative to a proposed agreement with the Lucy Pet Foundation for a mobile spay/neuter clinic. The agreement is for a term of two years with three one-year renewal options. According to the DAS, on March 13, 2015 the DAS issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) seeking contractors to operate mobile spay/neuter clinics. Two proposals were received, one from The Lucy Pet Foundation and one from The Amanda Foundation. The Lucy Pet Foundation submitted a proposal to provide additional services by increasing its staff level and staff hours and expand the level of its current operations. The DAS is requesting authority to execute contracts with both entities.

On September 14, 2015, the Board of Animal Services Commissioners (Board) authorized the DAS to negotiate and enter into an agreement with The Lucy Pet Foundation (Lucy) to provide mobile van spay/neuter services; to submit the approved contracts to the Mayor and City Council for approval; and to make other arrangements as necessary to initiate these services, report the status back to the Board of Animal Services Commissioners; and, to notify the City Administrative Officer (CAO) that these two agreements have been executed, and request that the CAO adjust the temporary reduction in funds transferred to the Animal Sterilization Fund as necessary to carry out terms of these two agreements to ensure services are provided without interruption for the terms of each of these agreements.

Lucy does not have a current contract with the City. Lucy's owners and senior veterinarians have 20 years of relevant experience operating vet clinics and performing spay/neuter surgeries. Beginning in 2013 Lucy purchased two vans and began providing mobile spay/neuter surgeries. In the past 17 months Lucy has completed over 5,000 mobile surgeries in the Los Angeles area and it seeks to expand this service.

The Lucy Pet Foundation, Inc. is a non-profit 501(c)(3) animal care organization with experienced staff, including veterinarians, that operates a mobile van. Their mission is to reduce animal shelter

intake by providing:

- a. Mobile vaccination and microchip clinics.
- b. High-quality, low-cost spay and neuter services to underserved communities.
- c. Daily vaccination clinics with permanent facilities in Van Nuys.

The DAS believes Lucy's experience, qualifications, fee plan, and level of services will bring much-needed benefits to the City, the DAS and the public, and therefore recommends that Lucy be awarded this agreement.

After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the agreement with Lucy. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration

Respectfully Submitted,

PERSONNEL AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE



<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
KORETZ:	YES
RYU:	ABSENT
HARRIS - DAWSON:	YES

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