

PERSONNEL AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to acceptance of a bequest of \$68,000 from the Leda G. Geller Trust on behalf of the Department of Animal Services (DAS).

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. AUTHORIZE the DAS to accept and receive a bequest in the amount of \$68,000 from the Leda G. Geller Trust.
2. APPROVE:
 - a. The acceptance of any residual funds up to \$10,000 to be distributed in 2018.
 - b. The deposit of the above-mentioned funds into the Animal Welfare Trust Fund.
 - c. The disbursement of these funds in accordance with the provisions of the Animal Welfare Trust Fund.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The DAS reports that there will be no financial impact on the General Fund. This bequest will be deposited into the DAS' Animal Welfare Trust Fund and used to support DAS programs in accordance with the provisions of the fund.

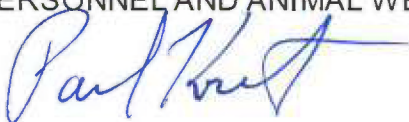
Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On March 21, 2018, your Committee considered a March 2, 2018 DAS report relative to acceptance of a bequest of \$68,000 from the Leda G. Geller Trust on behalf of the DAS. According to the DAS, in August 2017, the DAS received a distribution letter from the Law Offices of Larwill and Wolfe identifying a \$68,000.00 disbursement to the DAS from the Leda G. Geller Trust. The letter further indicated that approximately \$10,000.00 would be left in the trust bank account which would be held until the beginning of 2018 to cover any additional expenses with any unused residual balance being distributed to the Department. On August 22, 2017, the Board of Animal Services Commission authorized the acceptance of these funds subject to the approval of the City Council and Mayor. After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the bequest as detailed in the March 2, 2018 DAS report and detailed in the above recommendations. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PERSONNEL AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Paul Trust", is written over the printed name of the committee.

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

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