

COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR, PERSONNEL AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE relative to acceptance of a bequest of \$45,000 from the Phyllis Biddiscombe 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 \$45,000 from the Phyllis Biddiscombe Trust.
2. APPROVE:
 - a. The acceptance of any residual funds up to the \$8,500 to be distributed by December 2019.
 - b. The deposit of the above-mentioned funds into the Animal Welfare Trust Fund.
 - c. The disbursement of these funds 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 November 21, 2018, the Chair of the Personnel and Animal Welfare Committee considered an October 19, 2018 DAS report relative to the acceptance of a bequest of \$45,000 from the Phyllis Biddiscombe Trust on behalf of the DAS. According to the DAS, on September 25, 2018, the Board of Animal Services Commissioners (Board) approved a bequest in the amount of \$50,826.43 received from RBC Wealth Management, on behalf of the Phyllis Biddiscombe Trust. Subsequently, the DAS received notification that another check from the trust in the amount of \$45,000.00 has been forwarded to the DAS. On October 9, 2018 the Board approved the \$45,000 bequest and the acceptance of residual funds up to \$8,500 to be distributed by December 2019 and authorized the deposit of these funds into the Animal Welfare Trust Fund, subject to the approval of the Mayor and City Council. After consideration, the Committee Chair moved to recommend approval of the donation as detailed in the October 19, 2018 DAS report and detailed in the above recommendations. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,



COUNCILMEMBER PAUL KORETZ, CHAIR
PERSONNEL AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE

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

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