



Legislation Text

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Item:

Service Contract with Animal Protection Society of Durham, Inc.

Date Of BOCC Meeting: August 6, 2018

Request For Board Action:

The Board is requested to approve the service contract with Animal Protection Society of Durham, Inc., (APS) for the operation of the Durham County Animal Shelter, in the amount of \$701,284.69, a 7 percent increase over the Fiscal Year 2018-19 contract. The increase in the contract is requested to continue to reduce euthanasia rates, increase adoption numbers, and increase the ability to return and retain more animals in their current homes. In addition an increase in general operating funds are required for health insurance premium increases, merit raises for shelter staff, and general operating increases associated with medical care for animals. APS will also increase their contribution to the shelter budget by 4 percent. The proposed service contract and a request letter from the Shelter Manager are attached. The proposed contract has been reviewed and approved by the County Attorney's Office.

The services provided under the proposed service contract are similar to those currently provided by APS and include but are not limited to (i) caring for, at the shelter, all dogs, cats and other animals impounded by Animal Control and/or delivered to it by members of the general public; (ii) providing necessary veterinary care for animals impounded, housed, or surrendered to the shelter, and (iii) maintaining accurate records and providing monthly reports of all animals impounded, the disposition of all animals, amounts collected for board, redemption fees, and civil penalties by APS.

Alignment With Strategic Plan: This request aligns with the County's Strategic Goal 2: Health and Well-being for All and Goal 3: Safe Community.

Resource Persons: David LaBarre, Director of Planning and Development, Durham County Sheriff's Office and Tim Deck, Animal Services Lieutenant, Durham County Sheriff's Office.

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board approve the service contract with Animal Protection Society of Durham, Inc for the operation of the Durham County Animal Shelter in the amount of \$701,284.69 and authorize the Manager to execute the Agreement.

County Manager: _____