



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Public Health
Department No.: 041
For Agenda Of: February 25, 2020
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: 4/5

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Van Do-Reynoso, MPH, PhD
Director(s) Public Health Department
Contact Info: Esteban Rodriguez, Animal Services Operations Manager
SUBJECT: Emergency Animal Services Cache Acceptance from the California Veterinary Medical Foundation

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: N/A

As to form:

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors consider recommendations as follows:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the attached Emergency Animal Supply Deposit Terms and Conditions (Attachment A) accepting a container of emergency animal sheltering supplies at an estimated value of \$9,600 from the California Veterinary Medical Foundation to be used for animal sheltering and medical treatment during disasters response in Santa Barbara County.
- b) Approve budget revision request No. 0006796 (Attachment B) for the value of \$9,600 for Emergency Cache Animal Sheltering Supplies.
- c) Determine that these activities are exempt from California Environmental Quality Act review per CEQA Guideline Section 15061(b)(3), since it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activities may have a significant effect on the environment.

Summary Text:

This item is on the Agenda for approval to receive a cache of animal sheltering supplies to assist the Public Health Department with emergency management and care of animals in Santa Barbara County. The supply cache comes in the form of a 20ft x 8ft x 8ft steel cargo container filled with non-perishable items. These supplies would be immediately available for basic emergency animal sheltering for

companion animals, primarily dogs and cats. The cache will contain items for emergency sheltering and emergency medical care.

Background:

On October 2, 2019, Dr. Grant Miller from the California Veterinary Medical Foundation advised the County’s Animal Services Program that Governor Gavin Newsom had awarded the foundation a grant. The charitable arm of the California Veterinary Medical Foundation has been tasked to distribute animal emergency shelter caches throughout the state. The caches will provide immediate access to supplies for animal sheltering during Qualifying Events as listed in the State’s terms (Attachment A) that include local, state and federally declared disasters, trainings, and exercises. The State’s objective is to place a cache in every county in California at no cost to the county. In 2012, the State worked on a pilot project to place animal sheltering supply caches in six counties in California. Since then, all of the caches have been accessed and utilized by host agencies during disaster response and recovery phases and have proven to be a valuable asset in providing needed supplies during critical times. Furthermore, the host agencies have been able to maintain and replenish their supplies, thus increasing local resiliency and capacity to respond to emergencies.

The acceptance of this cache will require PHD to:

- Share supplies during the Qualifying Events with other municipalities for mutual aid purposes at the request of a municipality or at the direction of the California Governor’s Office of Emergency Services.
- Retain as many of the Supplies as possible during and after a Qualifying Event, and clean and disinfect cages and other cleanable Supplies so that they may be restored—as best as reasonably possible—for future use in another Qualifying Event.
- Replace any supplies that are damaged, lost, stolen, or depleted.

Performance Measure:

Criteria for the utilization of supplies includes local, state and/or federally declared disasters, as well as training exercises. The supplies can only be utilized within the State of California.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: No

Fiscal Analysis:

Accepting these supplies will result in additional revenues and offsetting increased appropriations in the amount of \$9,600. The revenues received will be in the form of a container of emergency animal sheltering supplies. The Public Health Department expects the supplies to be delivered in FY 2019-20. There is potential of minor costs for replacement of damaged, lost, or stolen supplies which can’t be reliably estimated at this time.

The attached Budget Revision (Attachment B) request amends the budget for revenues and appropriations in the amount of \$9,600 in FY 2019-20. There is no increase in the use of the County’s General Fund resources as a result of executing this agreement.

Staffing Impacts:

Legal Positions:

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FTEs:

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Special Instructions: Please execute two (2) Emergency Animal Supply Deposit Terms and Conditions Agreement and retain one (1) executed Agreement and Minute Order for pickup by PHD. Please email PHDCU@SBCPHD.ORG when the documents are ready.

Attachments:

- A. Emergency Animal Supply Deposit Terms and Conditions
- B. Budget Revision Request (BJE #0006796)

Authored by:

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