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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Animal Services
Department No.: 041
For Agenda Of: June 17, 2014
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Takashi Wada, MD, MPH, Director & Health Officer
Director(s) Public Health Department
Contact Info: Jan E. Glick, MS, Director of Animal Services (934-6953)
SUBJECT: Acceptance of a Donation to the LaPAWS Shelter (Lompoc Animal Shelter)

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) Accept and ratify an in kind donation gift valued at \$43,251.91 from the Companion Animal Placement Assistance (CAPA) organization for the renovation of the central portion ("Hub") of the dog kennels at the LaPAWS Shelter.
- B) Determine that these activities are exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review per CEQA Guideline Sections 15061(b)(3) and 15301, since it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activities may have a significant effect on the environment and the donation consists of minor alterations to an existing facility.

Summary Text:

This item is on the Agenda to accept a generous donation and to appreciate the long term partnership between the Companion Animal Placement Assistance (CAPA) organization and County Animal Services. CAPA raised funds to renovate the interior working area of the kennels at the LaPAWS Shelter in Lompoc and the project has been completed.

Background:

Companion Animal Placement Assistance (CAPA) is a non-profit organization that supports the Lompoc LaPAWS Animal Shelter with facility upgrades, medical funding, foster homes, adoption counseling, lost and found assistance, animal care, shelter volunteers and outreach to the community. Following the recent renovation of the LaPAWS facility (where CAPA partnered with the County to

achieve), CAPA embarked on a special project to renovate the interior working area for people near the dog kennels at the site. CAPA obtained full funding to renovate the area, known as the Hub, which supports all capacities of taking care of shelter dogs at LaPAWS.

Several key upgrades will make taking care of the dogs much more efficient and nicer for the dogs:

1. Installation of a new bathing tub with a ramp that large dogs can use to climb in the tub.
2. Addition of a dryer/drying station for bathed dogs. This will ensure dogs are not placed back in their kennels when wet risking an Upper Respiratory Infection.
3. Installation of a large capacity stackable washer/dryer to free up space.
4. Creation of a closet to hold linens, food bins (to keep mice away), food bowls, etc.
5. Addition of a dishwasher to save staff/volunteers time.
6. Installation of new cabinets. Existing cabinets were dilapidated and falling apart.
7. Streamlining the space so that more volunteers and staff can utilize this space helping dogs.

The goal of this renovation to bring the Hub up to a state of the art area that will better serve the shelter dogs has been achieved. CAPA fundraised and secured the funds to fully fund this important project. County Animal Services is extremely grateful for the many contributions and value added by the efforts of the Companion Animal Placement Assistance organization. CAPA is a truly valuable long term partner providing great services and assistance each and every day.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: No

Fiscal Analysis: Authorizing the Public Health Department Director to accept the in kind donation gift valued at \$43,251.91 from the Companion Animal Placement Assistance (CAPA) does not affect mandates or service levels. There are existing appropriations in the Public Health's Department Fund 0001 FY 13-14 Services and Supplies budget that will adequately cover the amount of the donation. Therefore, a budget revision is not needed. A journal entry to recognize the donation, in the county financial system, will be processed after board approval. Acceptance of this gift will not increase the general fund contribution.

Special Instructions:

Please send an electronic copy of the Minute Order to the PHD Contracts Unit at: PHDCU@sbcpd.org

Attachments: N/A

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