

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



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FROM: Community Health Agency, Department of Animal Services

SUBMITTAL DATE:
9/02/05

SUBJECT: Approval of the Fourth Amendment to the contract with Ramona Animal Shelter for the Pet Alteration Project.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1) Ratify the fourth amendment to the Pet Alteration Project with Ramona Animal Shelter in the amount of \$2,500 for the performance period of October 22, 2005 to May 30, 2006;
- 2) Authorize the Chairperson to execute four (4) copies of the amendment;

BACKGROUND:

The Department of Animal Services (DAS) has taken a proactive approach to reduce pet overpopulation within Riverside County by utilizing funding from a state mandated trust fund created for spay/neuter deposits. DAS has provided free spay/neuter surgeries to Riverside County constituents through departmental outreach events and by partnering with local organizations. Such a partnering opportunity has been presented by Ramona Animal Shelter.

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FORM APPROVED
COUNTY COUNSEL

SEP 14 2005

RM:pmh

BY

Robert Miller, Director of Animal Service

FINANCIAL DATA

Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 2,500	In Current Year Budget:	Yes
Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	No
Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	05/06

SOURCE OF FUNDS: Spay/Neuter Sub-Fund

Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

County Executive Office Signature

- Dep't Recomm.: Consent Policy
- Per Exec. Ofc.: Consent Policy

Prev. Agn. Ref.: 7/31/01, 3.12; 6/03/03, 3.37; 8/26/03, 3.9; 12/7/05, 3.5.

District: All

Agenda Number:

**ATTACHMENTS FILED
WITH THE CLERK OF THE BOARD**

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BACKGROUND:

Ramona Animal Shelter is contracted to provide sheltering services for the County of Riverside in the Southwest portion of the County. On October 22, 2005, Ramona Animal Shelter (RAS), will be hosting a community Oktoberfest with the goal of finding homes for the animals within their care and educating constituents about the pet overpopulation problem. In 2004, over 3,500 people attended the event and RAS was able to provide 603 free spay/neuter surgeries to the pets of area residents.

The Department would like participate in this endeavor and provide RAS with \$2,500 worth of vouchers for free spay/neuter surgeries. The vouchers would be distributed to Riverside County residents at the Oktoberfest and then redeemed at the Ramona Animal Clinic for services. RAS would then submit the vouchers and backup documentation to DAS for payment.

This is a wonderful opportunity to expand our departmental spay and neuter efforts to reduce pet overpopulation.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

The State of California requires animal shelters to retain a spay/neuter deposit for any animal leaving the shelter that is unable to undergo a spay/neuter surgery at the time of release when determined by a veterinarian that the health risk to the animal is too great. As a guarantee for future surgery, the adopting party is required to leave a deposit with the Department of Animal Services. These deposits are held in a state mandated trust fund and when they are not reclaimed within the established time period, are designated to be used only toward spay/neuter surgeries.