

**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:

SUBJECT: Approval of the Sixth Amendment to the contract with Animal Friends of the Valley for the Pet Alteration Project

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1) Approve the Sixth Amendment to the Pet Alteration Project with Animal Friends of the Valley in the amount of \$2,500 for the performance period of December 1, 2005 through May 30, 2006; and,
- 2) Authorize the Chairperson to execute four (4) copies of the Amendment.

Departmental Concurrence

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 (Continued)

Robert Miller, Director of Animal Services

RM:pmh

FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$2,500	In Current Year Budget:	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	No <input type="checkbox"/>
	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

- Policy
- Policy
- Consent
- Consent

Dept's Recomm.:
Per Exec. Ofc.:

Prev. Agn. Ref.: 7/31/01, item 3.11; 12/17/02, item 3.6; 11/25/03, item 3.1; 9/28/04, item 3.8, 11/15/05, item _____.	District:	Agenda Number:
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**ATTACHMENTS FILED
WITH THE CLERK OF THE BOARD**

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BACKGROUND:

organizations. Such partnering opportunity has been presented by Animal Friends of the Valley.

Animal Friends of the Valley (AFV) is contracted to provide sheltering services for the County of Riverside in the southwestern portion of the County. They take a proactive approach to reducing the pet overpopulation problem by holding outreach events at their shelter and having pets altered at Ramona Animal Clinic, a local, low-cost spay/neuter clinic. The Department would like to participate in their endeavors by providing AFV with \$2,500 worth of vouchers for free spay/neuter surgeries. The vouchers would be distributed to Riverside County residents and then redeemed at the Ramona Animal Clinic. They will be good for \$25 off a spay/neuter surgery for a cat or \$50 off a spay/neuter surgery for a dog. Once Ramona Animal Clinic has returned the expended vouchers and back-up documentation to AFV, AFV would, in turn, submit this information to the Department 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 sub-fund and, when they are not reclaimed within the established time period, are designated to be used only toward spay/neuter surgeries.