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**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:

April 24, 2009

SUBJECT: Approval of Fourth Amendment to Contract #08-055 with Animal Samaritans to perform Spay and Neuter Services for the Department of Animal Services


RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the Fourth Amendment between Animal Samaritans and the County of Riverside Department of Animal Services for the performance period of July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009 in the amount of \$158,000; and,
2. Authorize the chairperson to execute four (4) original copies of the Agreement on behalf of the County of Riverside;

.BACKGROUND:

For the past six (6) years, the Riverside County Department of Animal Services has contracted with Animal Samaritans, a non-profit spay/neuter and adoption facility in Thousand Palms, to perform spay and neuter surgeries for the animals adopted from the County-run Thousand Palms and Blythe shelters.

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 Robert Miller, Director of Animal Services

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$158,000	In Current Year Budget:	Yes
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$0	Budget Adjustment:	No
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$0	For Fiscal Year:	FY 08/09

SOURCE OF FUNDS: Department Budget.	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

BY: 
 Debra Cournoyer

County Executive Office Signature

Prev. Agn. Ref.: 4/1/08, item 3.4 ;
 6/24/08 item 3.12; 7/29/08, item 3.19

District: 4

Agenda Number:

ATTACHMENTS FILED
WITH THE CLERK OF THE BOARD

3.11

FORM APPROVED BY COUNTY COUNSEL
 BY: NEAL R. KIPNIS DATE 5/4/09
 Departmental Concurrence

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 COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

Community Health Agency, Department of Animal Services

Form 11 - Approval of Fourth Amendment to Contract #08-055 with Animal Samaritans to Perform Spay and Neuter Services for the Department of Animal Services

BACKGROUND:

The FY08/09 contract was approved for \$90,000; however, adoptions, and subsequently spay/neuter surgeries, have increased exponentially at the Coachella Valley Animal Campus requiring the contract increase to \$158,000 to cover these services through the end of the fiscal year.

Veterinary clinics within the Thousand Palms area are primarily small, private, for-profit agencies and charge far greater fees than Animal Samaritans, the only non-profit agency capable of performing the high number of surgeries at a low cost for the citizens of the Thousand Palms area.

PRICE REASONABLENESS:

The price rendered by Animal Samaritans for spay and neuter services is considered to be fair and reasonable based on their pricing being lower than normal for-profit veterinary clinics in the surrounding area. Also, Animal Samaritans is associated with the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) and is a certified non-profit agency. Pricing for a dog procedure is \$75.00 and for feline animals, \$50.00. This compares favorably against for-profit clinics which charge significantly above \$100.00 for a feline procedure, on average. Based on this comparison, the price is deemed to be fair and reasonable.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Funding for spay/neuter surgeries is paid for by the adopter and deposited into a protected account in accordance with State law requirements. This funding is then used to pay Animal Samaritans; therefore, no net county funding is necessary.

FOURTH AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT
WITH
ANIMAL SAMARITANS
(Spay/Neuter and other Clinic Services)

That certain Agreement between the COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE Community Health Agency, Department of Animal Services (COUNTY) and Animal Samaritans (CONTRACTOR) approved on January 22, 2008 was amended for the first time on March 25, 2008, a second time on June 24, 2008, a third time on July 29, 2008 and is hereby amended for the fourth time as follows, effective when executed:

- To increase the amount of compensation for Fiscal Year 08/09 from ninety-thousand (\$90,000) to the amount of one-hundred fifty-eight thousand Dollars (\$158,000).
- All other terms and conditions of this Agreement are to remain unchanged.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused their duly authorized representatives to execute this Amendment.

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

CONTRACTOR

Animal Samaritans

By _____

By Frederick L. Saunders Jr.

Chairman, Board of Supervisor

FREDERICK L. SAUNDERS JR.

Type or Print Name

ATTEST: _____

Date 4/15/2009

BY: _____

Date _____

PMG: mecc

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL

BY: Neal R. Kipnis DATE _____