

**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:**

May 24, 2012

**SUBJECT:** Approve the Third Amendment to Agreement No.11-128 with Animal Samaritans SPCA, Inc. for Spay/Neuter and other Clinical Services

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1) Approve the Third Amendment to Agreement No.11-128 between Animal Samaritans SPCA, Inc. and the County of Riverside Department of Animal Services, in the amount of \$114,000 for the 2012/2013 fiscal year; and
- 2) Authorize the Chairman to execute three (3) original copies of the Third Amendment on behalf of the County of Riverside.

**BACKGROUND:** Since January 1, 2000, AB 1856 Vincent, has required that "no public animal control agency or shelter... shall sell or give away to a new owner any dog (or cat) that has not been spayed or neutered." The Riverside County Department of Animal Services does not have the facility or staffing to perform spay/neuter surgeries in the Coachella Valley.

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RM:nd FISCAL PROCEDURES APPROVED  
PAUL ANGULO, CPA, AUDITOR-CONTROLLER  
BY Samuel Wong 6/6/12  
SAMUEL WONG

Betsy Webster  
Betsy Webster, Deputy Director for  
Robert Miller, Director  
Department of Animal Services

<b>FINANCIAL DATA</b>	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 114,000.00	In Current Year Budget:	Yes
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	No
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	12/13

<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS:</b> 100% 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 Courmoyer  
Debra Courmoyer  
**County Executive Office Signature**

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL  
 BY: Bruce G. Fordon 6/6/12 DATE  
 Departmental Concurrence  
 Purchasing: Mark Seiler, Assistant Director  
 Dep't Recomm.:  
 Per Exec. Ofc.:

- Consent
- Policy
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**BACKGROUND (Continued):**

Since July 2002 the Riverside County Department of Animal Services has contracted with Animal Samaritans SPCA, Inc., a non-profit spay, neuter and adoption facility in Thousand Palms, to perform spay/neuter surgeries and other clinical services for the animals adopted from the County run Thousand Palms and Blythe shelters.

**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. Animal Samaritans is associated with the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) and is a certified non-profit agency. Pricing for spay, neuter procedure for a canine is \$65.00 any weight, and for a feline is \$40.00. This compares favorably against for-profit clinics which charge significantly above \$100.00 for a canine or feline procedure, on average. Based on this comparison, the price is deemed to be fair and reasonable.

**FINANCIAL:**

There is no additional impact on the general fund as this funding has been included in the department's 2012/2013 fiscal year budget pending approval.

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**THIRD AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE  
AND  
ANIMAL SAMARITANS SPCA, INC.  
(Spay, neuter and other clinical services)**

That certain Agreement between the County of Riverside through its Department of Animal Services (COUNTY) and Animal Samaritans SPCA, Inc. (CONTRACTOR), approved on September 13, 2011, executed by the Board of Supervisors item 3.24, amended for the first time February 28, 2012 by the Board of Supervisors item 3.19, amended for the second time April 24, 2012 by the Board of Supervisors item 3.6, is hereby amended for the third time effective July 1, 2012 as follows:

- To amend the period of performance from July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 to July 1 2012 through June 30, 2013.
- To establish the amount of compensation for July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013 at one hundred fourteen thousand dollars (\$114,000).
- To amend all references of "Community Health Agency" to "Department of Animal Services".
- To amend Exhibit B Payment Provisions, Item 2 Fee Schedule, Section 2.1 as follows:  
2.1 Spay and Neuter for un-adopted County Animals:  
Canine: \$65.00 any weight Feline: \$40.00  
Feral felines: No charge
- 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**

**CONTRACTOR**

Animal Samaritans SPCA, Inc.

By \_\_\_\_\_  
John Tavaglione, Chairman  
Board of Supervisors

By Frederick L. Saunders Jr.  
Frederick L., Saunders Jr.  
Executive Director

Date \_\_\_\_\_  
ATTEST: Kecia Harper-Ihem, Clerk

Date 6-1-2012

By \_\_\_\_\_

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL  
BY: Bruce G. Fordon 6/6/12  
BRUCE G. FORDON DATE

**Date:** May 14, 2012  
**From:** Community Health Agency-Department of Animal Services  
**To:** Board of Supervisors  
**Via:** Purchasing Agent  
**Subject:** Single Source Procurement, Request for Spay/Neuter Services

**Request for:** Approval of a single source vendor

The information below is provided in support of my Department requesting approval for a single source.

**Supply/Service being requested:** Spay, Neutering Services

**Supplier being requested:** Animal Samaritans SPCA, Inc.

**Alternative suppliers that can or might be able to provide supply/service:**

Alternative suppliers are limited to local, private veterinarians who do not have the capability to transport the animals or handle the volume of adoptions requiring spay and neuter.

**Extent of market search conducted:** Animal Samaritans is the only non-profit organization that subsidizes the performed surgeries with donations and in turn passes this savings to the customers it serves. The other vendors are private veterinarians that are for-profit practices that charge a much higher fee. The Veterinarians lack the ability to receive grants or donations, or seek to earn profits through their services.

**Unique features of the supply/service being requested from this supplier, which no alternative supplier can provide:** The Department of Animal Services, under the direction from the Fourth District, entered into a partnership with Animal Samaritans to build side-by-side animal shelters for both organizations in a campus-type setting. Animal Samaritans donated five acres of land and the County built the new Thousand Palms animal shelter, which opened January 2006. Department of Animal Services have developed a partnership on the premises that Animal Samaritans would provide the state required spay and neuter surgeries for all pets adopted from the Thousand Palms campus.

**Reasons why my department requires these unique features and what benefit will accrue to the county:** Animal Samaritans operates the largest volume spay and neuter clinic in the desert and since they are a large humane organization, they understand the needs and volume requirements necessary to supply an organization of Animal Service's size and complexity. The Animal Samaritans clinic is located on the Coachella Valley Animal Campus, thereby reducing transportation cost and increasing ease of access for customers.

**Price Reasonableness:** For the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) and is a certified non-profit agency. Pricing on the spay and neuter for a canine is \$65.00 any weight, and a feline \$40.00. This compares favorably against for-profit clinics which charge significantly above \$100.00 for a canine or feline procedure, on average. Based on this comparison, the price is deemed to be fair and reasonable.

**Period of Performance:** July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013, with option to renew annually through June 30, 2016.

**Does moving forward on this product or service further obligate the county to future similar contractual arrangements?** No

Betsy Webb for Robert Miller 5/23/12  
Department Head Signature Date

Purchasing Department Comments:

*NOT TO exceed \$114,000 annually*

Approve

Approve with Condition/s

Disapprove

M. De 5-23-12 Approval # 12-550  
Purchasing Agent