



Thursday, December 14, 2006

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**Health and Human Services  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

**ITEM No 4**

**Subject** Authorize execution of the ratification and amendment of an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the City and Travis County for public animal shelter services for the period of October 1, 2006 through September 30, 2007, in an amount not to exceed \$368,677

**Amount and Source of Funding** Funding in the amount of \$368,677 is included in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Operating Budget for the Health and Human Services Department as a reimbursement from Travis County

**Fiscal Note** There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

**Additional Backup Material**

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**Ratification & Amendment of Animal Shelter\_ILA**

**For More Information** Dorinda Pulliam, HHSD Asst. Director for Animal Services, 972-6088, Linda Terry, Agenda Coordinator, 972-5023

**Prior Council Action** Approved Fiscal Year 2007 Operating Budget, September 11, 2006

The Interlocal Agreement between the City of Austin (City) and Travis County (County) that provided for animal sheltering, public health, animal control, and quarantine services to the citizens of rural Travis County expired on September 30, 2006. Due to the ongoing negotiations for a new Public Health (including Animal Services) and Human Services interlocal agreement between City and County, per the County's request, it is necessary to ratify and extend the Public Animal Shelter Services agreement in order for payments to be made by the County Auditor for the continuation of services provided by the City to County. City has agreed to continue to provide services and Travis County has agreed to provide payment for such services until a new agreement is in place.

The City and County first entered into an agreement for Animal Shelter Services in 1993 and have renewed on an annual basis. This ratification and amendment will expire on September 30, 2007. Additionally, this amendment continues the City's contribution of \$10,000 per year to defray expenses associated with the County Predator Control Program and the County's contribution of \$15,000 for the extension of the "County Immunization and Sterilization Program through September 30, 2007.

**RATIFICATION AND AMENDMENT OF INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN TRAVIS COUNTY AND  
CITY OF AUSTIN FOR  
PUBLIC ANIMAL SHELTER SERVICES**

This Ratification and Amendment of the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Public Animal Shelter Services between Travis County and the City of Austin ("Ratification") is made and entered into by and between Travis County, Texas, a political subdivision of the State of Texas ("County") and the City of Austin, a home rule municipal corporation and a political subdivision of the State of Texas ("City")

**RECITALS**

WHEREAS, County and City entered into the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Public Animal Shelter Services ("Agreement"), into which contract the parties were authorized to enter by the Interlocal Cooperation Act TEX. GOV'T CODL ANN., Ch. 791 (Vernon 1994), and

WHEREAS, the Initial Term of the Agreement began July 1, 1993, and expired September 30, 1993, at which time the Agreement was renewed by the Parties for additional one-year terms, with the last term expiring September 30, 2006, and

WHEREAS, the Parties inadvertently allowed such expiration to occur and services continue to be provided without formal amendment or renewal of the Agreement, and

WHEREAS, the Parties now desire to ratify an extension of the Agreement for an additional one-year term, or for such period as the Parties may agree, so that the Agreement shall terminate September 30, 2007, and to ratify continuation of the Parties' rights and obligations under the Agreement from October 1, 2006, until execution by both Parties of this Ratification, and

WHEREAS, the Agreement allows the Parties to amend the Agreement in writing, and the Parties desire to amend the Agreement

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants set forth herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows

**AMENDMENT**

**1.0 TERM OF AGREEMENT**

1.1 The Parties agree that, upon expiration of the renewal term on September 30, 2006, the Parties shall have the option to extend this Agreement for an additional one-year term, or through September 30, 2007

1.2 By this Ratification, the Parties hereby exercise the option to extend the Agreement for an additional one-year term, beginning October 1, 2006, and continuing through the termination date of September 30, 2007 ("2007 Renewal Term"), and hereby renew and ratify the Agreement as extended

**2.0 RATIFICATION**

2.1 The Parties hereby approve, confirm and ratify continuation of the Parties' rights and obligations under the Agreement

2.2 As ratified, the Agreement constitutes a fully binding Agreement between County and City

**3.0 PREDATOR CONTROL SERVICES**

3.1 The Parties agree to extend the provisions of Section 5.08, "Predator Control Services," through the 2007 Renewal Term with the City providing the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) to defray expense for the County Predator Control Program as set forth in the Agreement, as amended.

#### 4.0 COUNTY IMMUNIZATION AND STERILIZATION PROGRAM

4.1 The Parties agree to extend the provisions of Section 5.09, "County Immunization and Sterilization Program," through the 2007 Renewal Term with the County providing payment in an amount not to exceed Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) for immunization and sterilization services provided as set forth in the Agreement, as amended.

#### 5.0 EFFECTIVE DATE

5.1 This Ratification shall be effective October 1, 2006, when executed by all Parties.

#### 6.0 INCORPORATION

6.1 The Agreement shall remain in full force and effect. The Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties and supersedes any prior undertaking or written or oral agreements or representations between the Parties.

The Agreement, as renewed and ratified, is hereby  
APPROVED and CONFIRMED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2006.

TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Samuel T. Biscoe  
Travis County Judge

Date \_\_\_\_\_

CITY OF AUSTIN

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Printed  
Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_