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City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 19-2826, Agenda Item #: 2.

9/19/2019

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of a seventh amendment to the interlocal agreement with Travis County for the City's provision of animal services for a 12-month term beginning October 1, 2019 in an amount not to exceed \$2,064,686.

Lead Department

Animal Services Office

Fiscal Note

This item has no fiscal impact.

Prior Council Action:

September 20, 2018 - Council approved the sixth amendment to the interlocal agreement with Travis County for the City's provision of animal services for a 12-month period beginning October 1, 2018 in an amount not to exceed \$1,817,740, on a 10-0 vote with Council Member Alter absent.

September 13, 2018 - Council approved Ordinance No. 20180913-001 adopting the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Operating Budget, on a 10-1 vote with Council Member Troxclair voting nay.

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Additional Backup Information:

The City has provided animal services throughout the unincorporated areas of Travis County (County) through various agreements since 1985. City and County staff worked together for several years in an effort to consolidate the patchwork of agreements and amendments for these services, resulting in an interlocal agreement (ILA) that was approved by the County Commissioners Court and City Council on September 27, 2007 and October 18, 2007, respectively. This original ILA was renewed several times.

Today's action will authorize negotiation and execution of the seventh amendment and seventh renewal of the current ILA for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 for a term of October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020, in an amount not to exceed \$2,064,686. Pursuant to this ILA, the Animal Services Office will continue to provide animal protection, shelter services, wildlife mitigation services and public education to Travis County residents. A portion of the \$2,064,686 from the County will provide funding for the permanent wildlife services officer position proposed in the City Manager's Fiscal Year 2019-2020 budget.