



# City of San Antonio

## Agenda Memorandum

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**DEPARTMENT:** Animal Care Services

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Michael Shannon, Interim Director

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** Citywide

**SUBJECT:**

No-Cost Vaccination & Microchip Clinic amendment with Animal Defense League of Texas (ADL) and Esparza Veterinary Relief Services

**SUMMARY:**

This Ordinance authorizes amendments to two no-cost vaccinations & microchip clinic contracts to provide 450 additional free pet microchips and vaccines in the community for a total amount not to exceed \$9,000.00. The amendments for each agreement are as follows:

1. Animal Defense League of Texas (ADL) to increase the contract amount from \$48,000.00 to \$53,000.00 and perform 250 additional free pet microchips and vaccines for 2,650 total;
2. Esparza Veterinary Relief Services to increase the contract amount from \$65,000.00 to \$69,000.00 and perform 200 additional free pet microchips and vaccines for 3,400 total.

There are no amendments to the initial terms of the agreement of with both contracts terming September 30, 2024. Funding is available in the FY 2024 Adopted General Fund Budget.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The City's Animal Care Services (ACS) Department currently has Professional Services Agreements with the Animal Defense League of Texas (ADL) and Esparza Veterinary Relief Services to provide no-cost vaccination & microchip clinics to City of San Antonio residents in the community. Providing these services to pet owners assists in keeping pets protected against disease, as well as properly microchipped and vaccinated in accordance with local and state laws.

Since FY 2023, ACS has partnered with these local community organizations to hold no-cost vaccination and microchip clinics on-site at the ACS campus and various locations around the city. These clinics offer pet owners no-cost veterinarian and pet wellness services, such as vaccinations to include: Rabies, Bordetella, Distemper/Hepatitis/Parvovirus/Parainfluenza (DHPP), Feline Viral Rhinotracheitis/Calicivirus/Panleukopenia (FVRCP), and microchips. Each clinic provides approximately 100 dogs/cats vaccines and microchips. Each partner is responsible for providing all staffing support and administration of microchips/vaccines at the clinics, as well as registering each microchip implanted. ACS assists with scheduling the clinic locations and advertising the events.

The current contract with ADL is for 2,400 free pet microchips and vaccines with a term beginning on October 1, 2023, and terminating September 30, 2024, in the amount of \$48,000. This ordinance will amend the contract to perform 250 additional free pet microchips and vaccines and increase the contracted amount from \$48,000 to \$53,000. In addition, the current contract with Esparza Veterinary Relief Services with a term beginning on April 4, 2023, and terminating September 30, 2024, that was amended on October 9, 2023, for 3,200 free pet microchips and vaccines in the amount of \$65,000. This ordinance will amend the contract to perform 200 additional free pet microchips and vaccines and increase the contracted amount from \$65,000 to \$69,000.

#### **ISSUE:**

This Ordinance authorizes amendments to two no-cost vaccinations & microchip clinic contracts for a total amount not to exceed \$9,000.00, amending the contracts to increase funding for ADL from \$48,000.00 to \$53,000.00 and for Esparza Veterinary Relief Services from \$65,000.00 to \$69,000.00. This additional funding will provide free microchips and vaccines for 450 additional pets.

#### **ALTERNATIVES:**

Should this amendment not be approved, there would be fewer opportunities to offer no-cost vaccination & microchip clinics to the community.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

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2. Esparza Veterinary Relief Services to increase the contract amount from \$65,000.00 to \$69,000.00. and perform 200 additional free pet microchips and vaccines.

There are no amendments to the terms of the agreement, with both contracts terming September 30, 2024. Funding is available in the FY 2024 Adopted General Fund Budget.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval for this ordinance.