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ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL.**

ORDINANCE

**AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE
HIGH-VOLUME PET PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH SAN
ANTONIO PETS ALIVE! TO INCREASE REIMBURSEMENT RATE
FROM \$75 TO \$175 PER ANIMAL FOR UP TO 4,000 PETS FOR AN
TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$93,000.00 IN FY 2024 AND
ADD TWO ADDITIONAL ONE-YEAR RENEWAL OPTIONS IN AN
AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$700,00.00 PER YEAR, FOR A TOTAL
CONTRACT INCREASE OF \$1,493,000.00. FUNDING IS
AVAILABLE IN THE FY 2024 ADOPTED GENERAL FUND
BUDGET AND FUNDING IN SUBSEQUENT YEARS IS
CONTINGENT UPON CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL OF THE
ANNUAL BUDGET.**

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WHEREAS, in 2012, Animal Care Services (ACS) created the High-Volume Pet Partnership (HVPP) program in an effort to increase its Live Release Rate by contracting with rescue organizations to pull a large number of pets from ACS; and

WHEREAS, in FY 2013, FY 2017, and again in FY 2021, ACS received City Council approval to enter into an agreement with San Antonio Pets Alive! (SAPA!), most recently for the rescue of 4,000 animals at a rate of \$75.00 per qualifying animal, or \$300,000.00 per year; and

WHEREAS, since the partnership began, SAPA! has rescued over 52,000 pets from ACS and often facilitates rescues and adoptions for pets at immediate risk of euthanasia; and

WHEREAS, in addition to pulling a high volume of pets, SAPA! also operates the HVPP building on the main ACS campus and is able to transfer pets from ACS kennels to the HVPP building during the pet's stray wait period, which frees up ACS kennel space for incoming pets; and

WHEREAS, the current contract with SAPA! began October 1, 2020, for a one-year term, with three, one-year options to renew; and

WHEREAS, for FY 2024, ACS executed the final renewal option for this contract and is now seeking to add two more one-year renewal periods to the agreement; and

WHEREAS, ACS is also seeking to amend the reimbursement rate from \$75.00 to \$175.00 per animal, effective immediately; and

WHEREAS, the per animal rate has been the same since the HVPP program was first created in 2012, despite significantly increased operating costs, such as staffing, equipment, supplies, and medications; **NOW THEREFORE:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The City Manager or designee, or the Director of the Animal Care Services (ACS) or designee, is authorized to execute an amendment to the High-Volume Pet Partnership agreement with San Antonio Pets Alive! to increase reimbursement rate from \$75 to \$175 per animal for up to 4,000 pets for an total amount not to exceed \$93,000.00 in FY 2024 and add two additional one-year renewal options in an amount not to exceed \$700,00.00 per year, for a total contract increase of \$1,493,000.00. Funding is available in the FY 2024 Adopted General Fund Budget and funding in subsequent years is contingent upon City Council approval of the annual budget. A copy of the original contract is, or will be, on file with Department of Animal Care Services. Copies of the amendments in substantially final form are attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes as Attachment I - II.

SECTION 2. Funding in the amount of \$93,000.00 for this ordinance is available in Fund 11001000, Cost Center 3703030001 and General Ledger 5201040 as part of the Fiscal Year 2024 Adopted Budget approved by City Council.

SECTION 3. Additional funding is contingent upon City Council approval of the Fiscal Year 2025 and subsequent budgets that fall within the contract terms of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. Payment in the amount of \$1,493,000.00 is authorized to San Antonio Pets Alive! and should be encumbered with a purchase order.

SECTION 5. The financial allocations in this Ordinance are subject to approval by the Deputy Chief Financial Officer, City of San Antonio. The Deputy Chief Financial Officer may, subject to concurrence by the City Manager or the City Manager's designee, correct allocations to specific Cost Centers, WBS Elements, Internal Orders, General Ledger Accounts, and Fund Numbers as necessary to carry out the purpose of this Ordinance.

SECTION 6. This Ordinance is effective immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes; otherwise, it is effective ten days after passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this _____ day August, 2024.

M A Y O R
Ron Nirenberg

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Debbie Racca-Sittre, City Clerk

for Andrew Segovia, City Attorney