



**CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
OFFICE OF THE CITY COUNCIL
COUNCIL CONSIDERATION REQUEST**

TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: Jalen McKee-Rodriguez
COPIES TO: Erik Walsh, City Manager; Debbie Racca-Sittre, City Clerk; Andy Segovia, City Attorney; John Peterek, Assistant to the City Manager; Emily McGinn, Assistant to City Council
SUBJECT: Pet Deposit Assistance Program for Renters
DATE: February 16, 2024

Issue Proposed for Consideration:

I ask for your support for the inclusion of the following item on the agenda of the earliest available meeting of the Governance Committee:

Establishment of a pet deposit assistance program aimed at reducing the burden of pet adoption for renters.

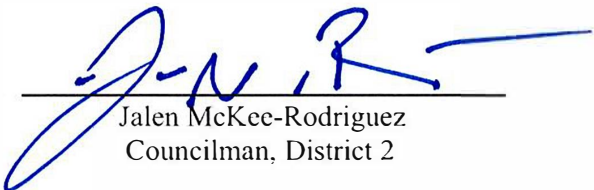
Brief Background:

As San Antonio continues to experience a crisis of stray and roaming animals, disappointingly high rates of euthanization due to shelter capacity, and a rise in the cost of living, there has been an increase in both the need for those willing to foster or adopt and the economic challenges that prevent pet adoptions.

While there are many reasons families and would-be responsible pet owners choose not to adopt pets, we have a responsibility to remove as many barriers to responsible pet ownership as possible.



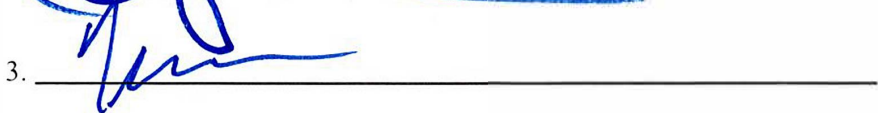
The purpose of this program is to develop an income-based pet deposit assistance program that pays, in full or part, pet deposits for participating apartments for those who choose to foster or adopt pets from the City's Animal Care Services shelter, or partner shelters.

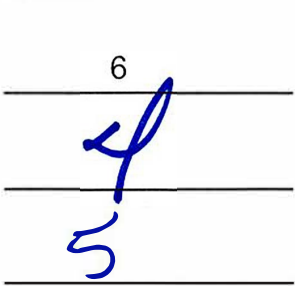
Council Consideration Request Submitted by:


Jalen McKee-Rodriguez
Councilman, District 2

Supporting Councilmembers' Signatures

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