



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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Agenda Item Number: 28

Agenda Date: May 2, 2024

In Control: City Council A Session

DEPARTMENT: Animal Care Services

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Shannon Sims

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

SNIPSA Rescue Partner Incentive Program Contract Amendment

SUMMARY:

This Ordinance authorizes an amendment to the Rescue Partner Incentive Program contract with Spay Neuter Inject Protect San Antonio (SNIPSA) for an increase of funding not to exceed \$40,000.00, revising the total contract value from \$50,000.00 to \$90,000.00, and increasing the number of rescues from 250 to 450 animals from Animal Care Services. There is no amendment to the initial terms of the agreement of October 1, 2023, to September 30, 2024. Funding is available in the General Fund FY 2024 Adopted Budget.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

In 2012 Animal Care Services (ACS) created the Rescue Partner Incentive Program (RPIP) in an effort to increase the live release rate. Since then, ACS has partnered with multiple rescue groups each year to reimburse the rescue groups for each pet they pull from ACS to find permanent placement. These contracts are responsible for the rescue of approximately 2,000 pets per year.

In alignment with the Animal Care Services Strategic Plan, ACS increased the rescue reimbursement rate to \$200 per animal pulled from ACS. ACS issued a Request for Application (RFA) on September 6, 2023, to collect applications from rescue groups interested in partnering with the City. ACS awarded contracts to nine partners, including Spay Neuter Inject Protect San Antonio (SNIPSA). SNIPSA was originally awarded \$50,000 for the rescue of 250 animals. Through March 2024, SNIPSA has pulled 205 animals from ACS and has the ability to continue pulling at this rate. Therefore, ACS is recommending increasing Spay Neuter Inject Protect San Antonio (SNIPSA) from \$50,000.00 for the rescue of 250 animals to \$90,000.00 for the rescue of 450 animals.

ACS received an exemption from the City's formal solicitation process in accordance with A.D. 1.6. The Small Business Development Advocacy (SBEDA) Program was waived; there were no Small, Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprises (SWMBEs) available in the San Antonio Metropolitan Statistical Area (SAMSA) to provide this scope of work.

ISSUE:

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ALTERNATIVES:

Should this amendment not be approved, ACS will need to find alternative placement for 200 pets.

FISCAL IMPACT:

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RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval this ordinance.