



Legislation Text

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Consider and take action to award a professional services contract to Animal Alliance of Galveston County for spaying and neutering of animals in the estimated amount of \$52,000 for a contract period of one (1) year beginning October 1, 2015 (Director of Finance)

Animal Shelters in Texas are required by law to sterilize all animals adopted from that shelter and to identify the animal as sterile by microchipping or tattoo. Rabies vaccines are also required by law and can only be administered by a licensed veterinarian. A formal, competitive process is not required for professional services per Texas Local Government Code 252.022(4).

The Animal Shelter currently has 9-18 standing appointments every Wednesday with Animal Alliance of Galveston County to spay/neuter and administer rabies vaccines to animals from the League City animal shelter. Occasionally, Animal Alliance of Galveston County will perform minor procedures at the same time the pet is being sterilized, such as minor hernia repair, cleaning of infected ears and administration of antibiotics. There is an extra charge for these services. The Animal Shelter staff has been diligent in seeking the best price and readiness to serve. The City has had a long standing relationship with the Animal Alliance of Galveston County, they are a non-profit, low-cost spay neuter clinic, and as such offer the lowest prices for the services needed. Fees are included in Exhibit A. They are able to do 70-75 surgeries per month as opposed to 10 per month at private clinics.

In keeping with our goal of making League City a 'no kill' community, the animal shelter does not euthanize healthy adoptable animals. Last year (2014) the LCAS adopted 918 animals. They are projecting to do a similar number of adoptions this year. This year's expenses have been \$47,903.22.

Attachment:

1. Data Sheet
2. Contract
3. Exhibit A - Price List

CONTRACT ORIGINATION:

City standard contract developed and approved by the City Attorney

FUNDING

{ } NOT APPLICABLE

{x} Funds are available from Animal Control Account #010.1905.643.5305

{ } Requires Budget Amendment to transfer from Account # _____ to Account # _____