PERSONNEL AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for providing animal care and control services to the City of Beverly Hills.

Recommendations for Council action:

- 1. APPROVE the MOU, attached to the Council file, with the City of Beverly Hills, approved as to form by the City Attorney.
- 2. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, Department of Animal Services (DAS), to sign and execute the MOU.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: The DAS reports that there is no cost to the City for the MOU. All costs are fully reimbursed by the City of Beverly Hills.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On December 16, 2015, your Committee considered a December 1, 2015 DAS report relative to proposed MOU for providing animal care and control services to the City of Beverly Hills. According to the DAS, on June 7, 2005, the DAS received a letter from Roderick J. Wood, City Manager, for the City of Beverly Hills expressing interest in entering into a contract with the DAS to provide animal care and control services. Up to that time, the County of Los Angeles had been providing these services through their shelter in Carson. The City of Beverly Hills was interested in providing the community with a shelter closer than the Carson location.

On October 24, 2005, the Board of Animal Services Commissioners (Board) approved the request and Council authorized the General Manager to negotiate terms and conditions of the agreement (Council File No. 05-2482). An MOU was approved (Contract No. C-115071), and services began on February 1, 2009. The MOU provided for a 12-month term, with two 12-month extensions. Both extensions were exercised, and the MOU ended on January 31, 2012. Provision of these services was extended through an interim MOU (Contract No. C-126011) from December 1, 2011 until either a new agreement is signed or through December 31, 2015, whichever is sooner. Subsequently, on May 26, 2015, the Board approved a new MOU with the City of Beverly Hills to continue animal care and control services provided by the City to Beverly Hills for a new term from January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2020.

Under the new MOU, Beverly Hills will continue to fully reimburse the City for all direct, indirect, and overhead costs incurred. Rates are updated annually or as necessary. Beverly Hills is billed monthly by the City for services provided in the previous month. Beverly Hills has incorporated, by reference, the entire Section 53.00, as amended, of the Los Angeles Municipal Code.

After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the MOU. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration

Respectfully Submitted,

PERSONNEL AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE

MEMBER

VOTE

KORETZ:

YES

RYU:

ABSENT

HARRIS - DAWSON: YES

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