

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) contract with VCA Animal Hospitals Inc., d.b.a. VCA West Los Angeles Animal Hospital.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. AUTHORIZE the Chief, LAPD, or designee, to execute the agreement between VCA Animal Hospitals Inc., d.b.a. VCA West Los Angeles Animal Hospital and the City of Los Angeles for 24-hour veterinary care and services for the LAPD's Canine Platoons for a term of three years, with two one-year options to renew, at a cost not to exceed \$60,000 per year.
2. INSTRUCT the Chief, LAPD, or designee, to:
  - a. Notify and schedule all routine vaccinations and health examinations, based on a right of first refusal, with the General Manager, Animal Services Department, or designee.
  - b. Reimburse the Animal Services Department by use of Interdepartmental Order for services rendered.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Administrative Officer (CAO) reports that this action will not impact the General Fund. The recommended actions will allow the LAPD to spend up to \$60,000 annually for veterinary services. Funding is available in the Department's current budget and the Supplemental Police Account of the Forfeited Assets Trust Fund to meet this obligation. This action complies with City financial policies in that budgeted funds are used for the intended purpose.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

## SUMMARY

In a report to the Mayor dated January 16, 2015 (attached to the Council file), the CAO states that LAPD requests authority to enter into an agreement with VCA Animal Hospitals Inc. Under the terms of this agreement, the contractor will provide 24-hour veterinary care and services for the LAPD's Canine Platoons, including Metropolitan Division, Gang and Narcotics Division, and Emergency Services Division's Bomb Squad and Bomb Detection Canine Unit. On December 16, 2014, the Board of Police Commissioners approved LAPD's request. The CAO concurs with this action.

At its meeting held January 23, 2015, the Public Safety Committee recommended that Council authorize LAPD to execute the proposed contract with VCA Animal Hospitals Inc., as recommended by the Board of Police Commissioners and the CAO.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
ENGLANDER:	YES
BUSCAINO:	YES
BONIN:	ABSENT
O'FARRELL:	YES
MARTINEZ:	ABSENT

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