

**TO THE COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF LOS ANGELES**

Your **PERSONNEL AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE**

**reports as follows:**

PERSONNEL AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to approval to apply and receive a grant for \$35,650 from the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA).

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. AUTHORIZE the Department of Animal Services (DAS) General Manager, or her designee, to:
  - a. Accept the Carroll Petrie Foundation (CPF) Dog Rescue Project Grant in the minimum amount of \$35,650 from the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to ASPCA for the period of September 13, 2012 through September 12, 2013.
  - b. Execute the CPF Grant Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the ASPCA on behalf of the City and submit all necessary documents relative to the grant award, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality.
2. AUTHORIZE the DAS:
  - a. Deposit grant receipts in the Animal Welfare Trust Fund No. 859, Department No. 06.
  - b. Spend up to the grant amount in accordance with the MOU.
3. AUTHORIZE the Controller to establish a grant receivable in Fund 859/06 and establish an appropriation account titled ASPCA Carroll Petrie Grant, account number to be determined, within Fund 859/06 for the receipt and disbursement of the CPF ASPCA grant award.
4. AUTHORIZE the DAS to prepare Controller's instructions for any technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer (CAO), and further AUTHORIZE and REQUEST the Controller to implement the instructions.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The CAO reports that approval of the recommendations in the March 15, 2013 CAO report will provide a minimum of \$35,650 in funding to the DAS for dog rescue work. Acceptance of the grant will have no additional impact on the General Fund and is in compliance with the City's Financial Policies in that grant funds and currently budgeted funds will cover the costs of the program.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On March 19, 2013, you Committee considered a December 13, 2012 DAS and March 15, 2013 CAO reports relative to approval to apply and receive a grant for \$35,650 from the ASPCA. According to the CAO, the Carroll Petrie Foundation Dog Rescue Project is a grant-funded program administered by the ASPCA in conjunction with local animal shelters aimed at increasing the adoption of shelter dogs through relocation. The program provides funding to shelters to help prepare shelter dogs for adoption and transport and house them with rescue groups, other shelters, foster homes, and other permanent off-site locations. The MOU also stipulates that participating shelters must make reasonable efforts to ensure that receiving organizations are not euthanizing animals to make room for the transferred dogs or keeping dogs or other animals in an unsafe, unsanitary or inhumane fashion. Samples and descriptions of these new locations are provided in the December 13, 2012 DAS report.

The CPF grant specifically will provide \$50 to the Department for each dog that is transferred or "rescued" in excess of the number of dogs rescued during the same month of the prior year. The DAS met the criteria for the month of September 2012 with 713 dogs rescued over the number rescued in September 2011, generating \$35,650 in grant funding. Total grant funding will depend on the rescues performed in future months and the availability of grant funding. No matching funds are required to accept this grant. It is already a policy of the DAS to supplement adoptions through these types of transfers. Accepting the grant will help offset some of the costs.

After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the proposed amendment as contained in the CAO report and detailed in the above recommendations. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

PERSONNEL AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
KORETZ:	YES
ALARCÓN:	YES
ZINE:	YES

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