

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to amending the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) contract with TLC Veterinary Centers, Inc., for veterinary services for the Department's Canine Units.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. AUTHORIZE the Chief of Police, or designee, to execute the First Amendment to Contract No. C-116816 between TLC Veterinary Centers, Inc., and the City of Los Angeles for 24-hour veterinary care and services for the LAPD's K-9 platoons, extending the contract term through August 31, 2014, at a cost not to exceed \$60,000 annually, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality.
2. INSTRUCT the Chief of Police, or designee, to:
 - a. Continue to notify and schedule with the General Manager, Department of Animal Services, or designee, all routine vaccinations and health examinations based on a right of first refusal.
 - b. Reimburse the Department of Animal Services by use of Interdepartmental Order for services rendered.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The CAO reports that funding is available in the LAPD's current budget and the Supplemental Police Account of the Forfeited Assets Trust Fund to meet this obligation. No additional General Fund appropriation is required. Execution of this contract amendment is in compliance with City financial policies in that budgeted funds are used for budgeted purposes.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

In a report to the Mayor dated August 2, 2013 (attached to the Council file), the CAO states the LAPD requests authority to execute amendment an amendment to the contract with TLC Veterinary Centers, Inc., to continue providing veterinary services for the Department's canine units for an additional 18 months at a cost not to exceed \$60,000 per year. Pursuant to the terms of the contract, TLC will continue to provide 24-hour veterinary care and services for the LAPD's K-9 platoons, including Metropolitan Division, Gang and Narcotics Division, and Emergency Services Division's Bomb Squad and Bomb Detection Canine Unit. The LAPD needs the extension to complete the Request for Proposals process to select a new contractor. The CAO recommends approval of LAPD's request.

At its meeting held August 23, 2013, the Public Safety Committee recommended that Council authorize the LAPD to extend the contract with TLC, as recommended by the CAO.

Respectfully Submitted,

Member Vote

Englander: Yes

Buscaino: Yes

Bonin: Absent

O'Farrell: Absent

Martinez: Yes

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