



**Request for City Council Committee Action
From the Department of Finance and Property Services**

Date: March 20, 2013

To: Honorable Betsy Hodges, Chair Ways & Means Committee

Referred To: Honorable Don Samuels, Chair Public Safety, Civil Rights and Health Committee

Subject: Lease – Minnesota Spay and Neuter Assistance Program

Recommendation:

That the proper City officers be authorized to amend and extend the current lease for one additional year (3/15/13-3/14/14) with Blue Sky Veterinary Services, LLC. in conjunction with the Minnesota Spay and Neuter Assistance Program, for use of laboratory and parking spaces at the Minneapolis Animal Care and Control located 212 17th Avenue North, to provide low cost spay and neutering services.

Previous Directives:

February 24, 2012- Council approved a one year lease agreement with Blue Sky Veterinary Services, LLC.

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Reviews

Permanent Review Committee (PRC): Approval _NA Date _____

Civil Rights Approval Approval _NA Date _____

Policy Review Group (PRG): Approval _NA Date _____

Financial Impact

No financial impact

Community Impact

Neighborhood Notification:

City Goals:

Comprehensive Plan:

Zoning Code:

Background/Supporting Information

The Minnesota Spay and Neuter Assistance Program (MNSNAP) partnered with the Minneapolis Animal Care and Control (MACC) to receive a \$67,000 grant from PetSmart Charities to provide low-cost spay and neutering services to resident-owned animals in the 4th and 5th Ward of the City of Minneapolis. The MNSNAP will be providing the services through Blue Sky Veterinary Services, LLC.

The MNSNAP and Blue Sky Veterinary requested access and use of a portion of the laboratory space and parking bay within the MACC facility as well as a portion of the parking lot to maximize the number of animals (and residents of the 4th and 5th wards) served under the grant. The MNSNAP proposed providing in-kind spay and neutering services (in lieu of cash) to the City for reimbursement for the fair market value of utilizing the space. The MNSNAP would be required to meet all other standard terms and conditions of leasing space from the City. The fair market value for the space would be approximately \$14,000 for the term of the lease.

Council approved the initial lease on February 24, 2012. The lease expired March 14, 2013.

Recommendation

Property Services recommends the City amend and extend the current lease, under the same terms and conditions, for an additional year with the Blue Sky Veterinary Services, LLC. for the use of laboratory and parking space at the MACC and that payment be received through in-kind spay and neutering services that meet or exceed a fair market value of \$14,000 over the term of the lease.

Attachments: None

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