



## Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Regulatory Services

**Date:** April 14, 2014

**To:** Council Member Cam Gordon, Chair – Health, Environment & Community Engagement Committee

**Referral to:** Council Member John Quincy, Chair – Ways & Means/Budget Committee

**Subject:** Extension of 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 (3/15/14-3/14/15) 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.

March 29, 2013 - Council approved a one year lease amendment and extension with Blue Sky Veterinary Services, LLC.

### Department Information

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Presenters in Committee: Mike Rumppe – Interim Deputy Director, Animal Control; Greg Goeke, Director of Property Services

**Financial Impact**

- No financial impact

**Community Impact**

- City Goals

**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 Fourth and Fifth wards of the City of Minneapolis. MNSNAP will be providing the services through Blue Sky Veterinary Services, LLC.

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 Fourth and Fifth wards) served under the grant. 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. 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 and was renewed on March 29, 2013 for an additional year.

**Recommendation**

Property Services recommends the City amend and extend the current lease, under the same terms and conditions, for an additional year with Blue Sky Veterinary Services, LLC. for 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.