

RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE HUMANE SOCIETY OF
HURON VALLEY AND AUTHORIZING AN ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE OF \$165,000
FOR THE PROVISION OF ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES THROUGH DECEMBER
31, 2012

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

February 15, 2012

WHEREAS, Washtenaw County has had a long standing relationship with the Humane Society of Huron Valley for the provision of animal control services; and

WHEREAS, Washtenaw County is mandated to provide certain animal control services, and currently the Humane Society of Huron Valley is the only qualified provider in the County; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to put out a Request for Proposals for animal control services for 2013; and

WHEREAS, entering into a contract with HSHV through December 31, 2012 provides the County with time to evaluate costs and services associated with the HSHV as well as other potential providers; and

WHEREAS, local ordinances enable a municipality to collect fees while utilizing the services of the Humane Society of Huron Valley under the County contract; and

WHEREAS, the County will likely not be able to offer this cost free service to jurisdictions with animal control ordinances in the future; and

WHEREAS, it will be imperative for the County to meet with local jurisdictions and with the HSHV to understand the needs and requirements of each party; and

WHEREAS, the new contract provides the County with the flexibility to reach out to cities and townships with applicable ordinances, and come to terms on a mutually beneficial solution; and

WHEREAS, it is also requested that the HSHV participate in the development of a methodology to determine the cost and services of an Animal Service Unit (ASU), and be agreeable to the outcome of that methodology after assisting in its development; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby approves an agreement with the Humane Society of Huron Valley in the amount of \$415,000 for the provision of animal control services through December 31, 2012.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby transfers \$165,000 from unallocated reserves to Animal Control in the budget of the Office of the Sheriff.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Office of the Sheriff to develop a methodology to determine the cost of an Animal Service Unit (ASU) on behalf of the County. The Sheriff may choose the members of his work group, with the understanding that the Board of Commissioners will appoint Commissioner Rob Turner to act as a liaison. The work group's report is due no later than September 15, 2012.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby establishes a Task Force on Animal Control Policy. This group will exist solely for the purpose of developing an animal control policy for the county. This policy will be reflected in the RFP for a scope of services that the county will purchase. Meetings will be posted. Membership is open to any Commissioner who wishes to attend, and the preliminary report will be filed May 15, 2012. Once the data from the Sheriff's work group is published, the RFP will go out forthwith, and the final report of the taskforce will be published by October 15, 2012.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the County Administrator to sign a contract with the Humane Society of Huron Valley to provide animal control services from January 1, 2012 – December 31, 2012 with a budget not to exceed \$415,000.

COMMISSIONER	Y	N	A	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	A	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	A
Bergman	X			Ping			X	Conan Smith	X		
Brabec	X			Prater	X			Dan Smith	X		
Gunn	X			Rabhi	X			Turner	X		
Peterson	X			Sizemore	X						

CLERK/REGISTER'S CERTIFICATE - CERTIFIED COPY

ROLL CALL VOTE: TOTALS

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STATE OF MICHIGAN)

COUNTY OF WASHTENAW)^{SS}

I, Lawrence Kestenbaum, Clerk/Register of said County of Washtenaw and Clerk of Circuit Court for said County, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of a resolution adopted by the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners at a session held at the County Administration Building in the City of Ann Arbor, Michigan, on February 15th, 2012, as it appears of record in my office.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court at Ann Arbor, this 21st day of February, 2012.

LAWRENCE KESTENBAUM, Clerk/Register

BY: _____ Deputy Clerk



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