

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS  
ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY

DEPT: Animal Services

BOARD AGENDA # B-13

Urgent  Routine

AGENDA DATE December 18, 2007

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES  NO   
(Information Attached)

4/5 Vote Required YES  NO

SUBJECT:

Authorization to Accept a Donation from an Anonymous Donor for the Purchase of Equipment for the Department of Animal Services

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Authorize the acceptance of an anonymous donation of \$7,000 to pay for a Modular Activity Center, Grooming Table with Back splash with Telescoping ramp and two SergiVet Pulse Ox (SPo2) + Pulse rate.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The anonymous donation is \$7,000 for equipment at Animal Services. The expenditure for this equipment has been spent out of the Animal Services Trust-Donation fund. The revenue received from the donation will be placed back into the Animal Services Trust-Donation fund. Each year the Department budgets for donations, therefore there is no increase in appropriations and revenue recommended at this time. There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund associated with this item.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2007-1012

On motion of Supervisor Monteith, Seconded by Supervisor Grover and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: Mayfield, Grover, Monteith, DeMartini, and Chairman O'Brien

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

1) X Approved as recommended

2) \_\_\_\_\_ Denied

3) \_\_\_\_\_ Approved as amended

4) \_\_\_\_\_ Other:

MOTION:

Christine Ferraro

ATTEST: CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

File No.

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### **DISCUSSION:**

In June of 2007, Supervisor Monteith, facilitated a meeting between the Director of Animal Services and a local investment firm, who represents a client interested in donating funds to the Department of Animal Services. It was indicated that the donation of funds was to specifically be used for a project that would improve the quality of care for animals at the animal shelter.

On October 2, 2007 the Board of Supervisors approved the acceptance of a \$5449.88 anonymous donation for the development of the Kitty Kastle. In November the donor who still wishes to remain anonymous visited Animal Services to view the completion of the Kitty Kastle. During the tour the Donor offered an additional donation. The Department put together a proposal, which was submitted to the local investment firm, who represented the Donor.

The proposal was accepted and a donation of \$7,000.00 was offered to cover the following proposed needs.

- Modular Activity Center to actively promote Physical Exercise, Mental Stimulation and Social Interaction for dogs. This activity center will improve a dogs adoptability and will reduce the probability of return to the Shelter due to behavior problems.
- Grooming Table with Back splash and Telescoping ramp to properly bathe or groom animals as well as helping to minimize the spread of disease. Many of the animals that come to the Shelter are strays.
- Two SurgiVet Pulse Ox (SPo2) + Pulse rate - The pulse oximeter allows the veterinary to monitor the heart rate and oxygen of the animal while performing surgeries in the neuter scooter.

The Department always looks forward to opportunities to partner with the public that are dedicated to the welfare of animals. This donation will give staff the ability to provide shelter animals a much healthier environment.

### **POLICY ISSUE:**

This action addresses the Board Priorities to ensure a safe community, healthy community, and effective partnerships.

### **STAFFING IMPACTS:**

There are no staffing impacts associated with this item.