

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	24443	Agenda Number	53.
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Meeting Date:	May 23, 2013
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Department:	Purchasing
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Subject

Authorize award, negotiation and execution of 12-month professional services contracts with DR. OVIDU CRACIUN and DR. MARGARET MACDONALD to provide veterinary surgical services for the Austin Animal Center in an estimated amount not to exceed \$60,000 each and combined, with four 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$60,000 per extension option each and combined, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$300,000 each and combined.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$20,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Operating Budget of the Animal Services Office. Funding for the remaining eight months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	Professional Services.
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Prior Council Action:	
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MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9C (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this contract.
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Additional Backup Information

These contracts with Dr. Ovidu Craciun, Austin, TX and Dr. Margaret MacDonald, Austin, TX are to provide veterinary surgical services for the Austin Animal Center (AAC). The doctors will usually perform services on weekends at the AAC. These services will primarily consist of an estimated 20-30 spay/neuter surgeries per day; however, the surgeons may perform other services such as enucleation, wound repair, amputation, entropion surgery and other life-saving procedures as needed.

Texas State Law requires, aside from a few exceptions, that all dogs and cats that are admitted to the shelter be spayed/neutered. In addition, the services to be provided by these contracts are an integral part of the City's goal of a 90% live outcome rate for animals at the AAC. This goal has dramatically increased the need for veterinary medical care and spay/neuter services; requiring the AAC to provide these services seven days a week.