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City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 23-3018, Agenda Item #: 94.

9/21/2023

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of an amendment to the interlocal agreement with Travis County for the City's provision of animal services, for a 12-month term beginning October 1, 2023, in an amount not to exceed \$3,100,000 to be paid to the City.

Lead Department

Animal Services Office.

Fiscal Note

This item has no fiscal impact.

Prior Council Action:

December 8, 2022 - Council authorized negotiation and execution of an amendment to the interlocal agreement with Travis County for the City's provision of animal services for a 12-month term beginning October 1, 2022, on an 11-0 vote.

September 29, 2022 - Council authorized negotiation and execution of an amendment to the interlocal agreement with Travis County for the City's provision of animal services for a three-month term beginning October 1, 2022, on an 8-0 vote with Council Members Haper-Madison and Kitchen off the dais and Council Member Fuentes absent.

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Additional Backup Information:

Since 1985, pursuant to the terms of various agreements, the Animal Services Office has provided animal services, such as animal protection, shelter services, wildlife mitigation services, and public education throughout the unincorporated areas of Travis County. City and County staff worked together for several years to consolidate the patchwork of agreements and amendments for these services, resulting in an interlocal agreement that was approved by the County Commissioners Court and Council on September 27, 2007 and October 18, 2007, respectively. The original interlocal agreement was renewed several times prior to adoption of the current interlocal agreement on December 9, 2021.

Approval of this item will authorize the negotiation and execution of an amendment to the interlocal agreement for a 12-month term beginning October 1, 2023, in an amount not to exceed \$3,100,000 to be paid to the City.

Pursuant to this amendment, the Animal Services Office will continue to provide animal protection, shelter services, wildlife mitigation services, and public education to Travis County residents residing in the unincorporated areas of Travis County.

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