



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

First Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting 6/11/2019
Second Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting 6/18/2019

DATE: May 31, 2019

TO: Peter Zaroni, City Manager

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Accept and appropriate a grant from Maddie's Fund in the amount of \$5,000.00 to determine the feasibility of an Animal Foster Program in Animal Care Services

CAPTION:

Ordinance authorizing the acceptance of a grant from Maddie's Fund in the amount of \$5,000.00 to develop a pilot program to determine the feasibility for implementation of an Animal Care Foster Program; and appropriating the grant amount in the Police Grants Fund.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this item is to accept the grant for developing a pilot program to determine the feasibility of implementing an Animal Care Foster Program.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

These funds are available for use to support Animal Care Services specifically establishing an animal foster program. The pilot program will be developed and implemented to determine the feasibility of sustaining a new program to foster animals in the community until permanent homes can be found.

This Innovation Grant program awards funds to help projects advance lifesaving and ultimately guarantee a healthy home or habitat for all dogs and cats. The funds will be used to study the feasibility of establishing a full-time animal foster program. This includes bringing in a trainer from Austin Pets Alive to train Animal Care personnel in establishing and supporting a foster program. This is a one-time grant. If the program proves feasible, Animal Care will work to locate additional funds to continue the program.

ALTERNATIVES:

The City Council may choose not to accept the grant to determine the feasibility of a new program in Animal Care Services.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

None

CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:

This item conforms to all city policies.

EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY:

Non-emergency

DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:

Legal

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

X Operating

☐ Revenue

☐ Capital

☐ Not applicable

| Fiscal Year: 2018-2019 | Current Year | Future Years | TOTALS |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------|
| Line Item Budget | | | |
| Encumbered / Expended Amount | | | |
| This item | \$5,000 | | \$5,000 |
| BALANCE | \$5,000 | | \$5,000 |

Funding Detail:

Fund: 1061 Police Grants Fund

Organization/Activity: 821602L

Mission Element: 084 Promote pet adoption and pet ownership

Project # (CIP Only):

Account: 520020 Clinical Supplies and 530362 Training

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval and appropriation of grant funds.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Award letter