

**Columbus Consolidated Government  
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

<b>TO:</b>	Mayor and Councilors
<b>AGENDA SUBJECT:</b>	<b>Atlanta Humane Society – Capital Improvement Grant</b>
<b>AGENDA SUMMARY:</b>	Approval is requested to submit and accept an animal welfare grant from \$10,000 - \$30,000 from the Atlanta Humane Society. This grant will pay for capital improvements to the facility. If granted an outside Animal Washing Station and Meet and Greet Area will be created.
<b>INITIATED BY:</b>	<b>Public Works Department/Animal Control</b>

**Recommendation:** Approval is requested to submit and accept an animal welfare grant for \$10,000 - \$30,000 or as otherwise awarded, from Atlanta Humane Society and amend the Multi-governmental Fund by the amount of the award. This grant will pay for capital improvements at the Animal Care & Control Center located at 4910 Milgen Rd. There is no local match required for this grant.

**Background:** This is an Atlanta Humane Society Capital Improvement grant presented to all Animal Control Agencies & Non-Profit Organizations in Georgia responsible for animal control sheltering per local ordinance. The Atlanta Humane Society seeks to provide funding to support these agencies and their life saving efforts.

**Analysis:** The Animal Care and Control Center has been diligently working to implement components of the Save-A-Pet Program that will assist in attracting more adopters by providing a more attractive, clean and happy animal. Accepting this grant will allow the Animal Care and Control Center to continue these efforts by having an area dedicated to grooming animals and allowing for potential adopters to have a designated place to meet and greet with these animals.

**Financial Considerations:** The City of Columbus is not required to provide matching funds to participate in this grant; however, the shelter staff will be required to oversee this program.

**Legal Considerations:** The City Attorney will review and approve as to form the grant request and any other required documentation.

**Recommendations/Actions:** Approval is requested to submit and accept an animal welfare grant for \$10,000 - \$30,000 or as otherwise awarded, from the Atlanta Humane Society and amend the Multi-governmental Fund by the amount of the award. This grant will pay for the capital improvements. There is no local match required for this grant.

**A RESOLUTION**

No. \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION AND ACCEPT, IF AWARDED, A GRANT FROM THE ATLANTA HUMANE SOCIETY IN THE AMOUNT OF APPROXIMATELY \$10,000 - \$30,000, OR AS OTHERWISE AWARDED, FOR COLUMBUS ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL CENTER, WITH NO LOCAL MATCH REQUIRED, AND TO AMEND THE MULTI-GOVERNMENTAL FUND BY THE AMOUNT OF THE AWARD.**

**WHEREAS**, the Atlanta Humane Society makes grants available to public and private animal shelter organizations to achieve the mutual objective of assisting these agencies with their process of saving animal lives; and,

**WHEREAS**, this grant will award approximately \$10, 000 to \$30,000 to Columbus Animal Care & Control Center, which will assist them in attracting more adopters by providing a more attractive, clean and happy animal; and,

**WHEREAS**, accepting this grant will allow the Animal Care and Control Center to continue these efforts by having an area dedicated to grooming animals and allowing for potential adopters to have a designated place to meet and greet with these animals; and,

**WHEREAS**, a cash match is not required.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL FOR COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

1. The City Manager or his designee is authorized to apply for and accept, if awarded, a grant from the Atlanta Humane Society for the Animal Care and Control Center Save-A-Pet program with no local match requirement; and,
2. The Multi-Governmental Fund is amended by the grant amount.

Introduced at a regular meeting for the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative votes of \_\_\_\_\_ members of said Council.

Councilor Allen voting	_____.
Councilor Barnes voting	_____.
Councilor Cogle voting	_____.
Councilor Crabb voting	_____.
Councilor Davis voting	_____.
Councilor Garrett voting	_____.
Councilor House voting	_____.
Councilor Huff voting	_____.
Councilor Thomas voting	_____.
Councilor Tucker voting	_____.

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Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council

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B.H. "Skip" Henderson, Mayor