# **Staff Report**

**Subject:** Georgia Department of Agriculture Dog and Cat Sterilization Grant

Award

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**Item Description:** Consideration to accept a grant award from, and to contract with,

the Georgia Department of Agriculture (GDA) Dog and Cat

Sterilization Grant Program.

# **Summary Recommendation:**

Staff is requesting approval to accept a grant award from, and to contract with, the Georgia Department of Agriculture (GDA) Dog and Cat Sterilization Grant Program.

## **Executive Summary:**

When funds are available, licensed municipal animal shelters located in Georgia, licensed nonprofit animal rescue organizations with 501(c)(3) status located in Georgia, and veterinary medical foundations with 501(c)(3) status located in Georgia may apply to the GDA for a grant to assist with sterilization procedures on dogs and cats. The purpose of the Dog and Cat Sterilization Grant Program is to provide financial assistance with sterilization procedures. GDA hopes that the grant funds will ease the burden of the cost of sterilization procedures and increase the number of dogs and cats sterilized in Georgia. The Effingham County Animal Shelter will use the funds to sterilize 50 dogs and 50 cats.

### Background:

- 1. The awarded funding amount is \$5,000.
- 2. There is no cost share requirement.

## **Alternatives for Commission to Consider:**

- 1. Approve to accept a grant award from, and to contract with, the GDA Dog and Cat Sterilization Grant Program.
- 2. Do not approve to accept a grant award from, and to contract with, the GDA Dog and Cat Sterilization grant program.
- 3. Provide Staff with Direction

#### **Recommended Alternative:**

Staff recommends Alternative number 1 – Approve to accept a grant award from, and to contract with, the GDA Dog and Cat Sterilization Grant Program.

#### Other Alternatives:

N/A

**Department Review:** (list departments)

Effingham County Animal Shelter

**Funding Source:** 

No cost share requirement

Attachments:

GDA Grant Award List GDA Contract