

Agenda Item Summary

MEETING DATE: January 8, 2024

SUBJECT: **Resolution No. 05-R-2024** – A Resolution of the Town of Mead, Colorado,

Approving the Agreement for Animal Welfare Services Between the Town of

Mead and NOCO Humane

PRESENTED BY: Brent Newbanks, Chief of Mead Police

THROUGH: Marcus McAskin, Town Attorney

SUMMARY

Resolution 05-R-2024 ("Resolution"): (a) approves an Agreement between the Town and NOCO Humane, a Colorado nonprofit corporation ("NOCO Humane") for animal sheltering and welfare services (the "Agreement"); (b) authorizes the Mayor to execute the Agreement on behalf of the Town when in final form; and (c) delegates authority to the Town Manager to execute written extensions, renewals or amendments to the Agreement on behalf of the Town in future years, including but not limited to amendments adjusting the fee schedule set forth in the Agreement or adjusting the specific animal transport and impoundment services to be provided to the Town by NOCO Humane, conditioned on adequate funds having been appropriated in the Town's annual budget for such animal-related services.

A copy of the Agreement is attached to the Resolution as EXHIBIT 1.

The Town currently contracts with Longmont Humane Society for its animal sheltering services, with its most recent Agreement for Animal Services (dated January 1, 2023) set to expire on December 31, 2023. Longmont Humane Society (LHS) has advised that Town that LHS desires to transition from a per animal fee-based pricing structure to an annual charge of Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$18,000.00).

The Town Police Department requires the use of animal sheltering services on a limited basis (historically, a few times each year), and therefore, a per animal fee structure is better suited and more cost-efficient for the Town. Accordingly, the Police Department recommends switching providers to NOCO Humane, an organization dedicated to the safe and humane treatment of animals that offers a per animal fee structure.

The Agreement sets an initial term for NOCO Humane to provide animal sheltering services through December 31, 2024 and provides for automatic renewals each year unless either party gives notice in writing of the intent not to renew.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

As set forth above (and as specifically set forth in Section 12 of the Agreement) the Town will pay NOCO Humane a set fee per stray animal sheltered. NOCO Humane's prices are fair compared to other

organizations that provide comparable services, and the per animal fee structure is greatly preferable to an annual charge.

Section 22 of the Agreement confirms that the Town's financial obligations remain subject to annual appropriation.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION/ACTION REQUIRED

Staff recommends approval of the Resolution. A motion to approve the January 8, 2024 consent agenda will approve the Resolution. If the Board decides to remove this item from the consent agenda for questions or discussion, staff recommends the following motion:

Suggested Motion: "I move to approve Resolution No. 05-R-2024 - A Resolution of the Town of Mead, Colorado, Approving the Agreement for Animal Welfare Services Between the Town of Mead and NOCO Humane."

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution No. 05-R-2024

Exhibit 1 to Resolution (Agreement for Animal Welfare Services Between the Town of Mead and NOCO Humane)