

**CITY OF MERIDIAN RESOLUTION NO. 25-2497**

**BY THE CITY COUNCIL:**

**CAVENER, LITTLE ROBERTS, OVERTON,  
STRADER, TAYLOR, WHITLOCK**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERIDIAN APPROVING THE RETIREMENT OF POLICE CANINES FROM ACTIVE DUTY; AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP OF RETIRING POLICE CANINE ARCO TO SGT. BRYAN ALBERS; AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP OF RETIRING POLICE CANINE GUS TO OFFICER PETER GLYNN; AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP OF RETIRING POLICE CANINE GRIZ TO SGT. TAYLOR AJA; AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP OF RETIRING POLICE CANINE WYATT TO OFFICER TYLER MARSTON; AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF OF THE MERIDIAN POLICE DEPARTMENT TO EFFECTUATE THE TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP OF THE RETIRING POLICE CANINE CANINES TO THEIR RESPECTIVE HANDLERS; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES.**

**WHEREAS,** City of Meridian Standard Operating Procedure no. 9.07 states that the disposal of City assets requires completion of a property information form, approval by the department director, and approval by the Finance Department; and that due to the unique nature of police canine service dogs, the transfer of ownership of a retiring police canine is exempt from the bid and/or auction requirement; and that City Council may authorize the removal of a police canine from active duty and transfer of ownership of such canine to a qualified handler, pursuant to the recommendation of the Chief of Police;

**WHEREAS,** the Chief of the Meridian Police Department finds that police canines Arco, Gus, Griz, and Wyatt served as valuable members of the Department and that they are now suitable for retirement;

**WHEREAS,** Meridian Police Department Sgt. Bryan Albers, Officer Peter Glynn, Sgt. Taylor Aja, and Officer Tyler Marston were the retiring canines' respective handlers, and each is willing to accept ownership and responsibility for the care, financial responsibility, and liability for the retiring canine, and to provide a comfortable, humane, and caring environment;

**WHEREAS,** the Chief recommends that ownership of police canines Arco, Gus, Griz, and Wyatt be permanently transferred to their respective handlers; and

**WHEREAS,** City Council finds that transferring ownership of the retiring canines to the enumerated officers is in the best interest of the retiring canines and the public;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERIDIAN, IDAHO:**

**Section 1.** That the City Council approves the retirement of Meridian Police Department police canines Arco, Gus, Griz, and Wyatt and their removal from active duty.

**Section 2.** That, pursuant to the Transfer and Release Agreement attached hereto as *Exhibit A*, the City Council authorizes the transfer of ownership of retiring police canine Arco to Sgt. Bryan Albers, as of October 7, 2024.

**Section 3.** That, pursuant to the Transfer and Release Agreement attached hereto as *Exhibit B*, the City Council authorizes the transfer of ownership of retiring police canine Gus to Officer Peter Glynn, as of October 2, 2024.

**Section 4.** That, pursuant to the Transfer and Release Agreement attached hereto as *Exhibit C*, the City Council authorizes the transfer of ownership of retiring police canine Griz to Sgt. Taylor Aja, as of December 31, 2024.

**Section 5.** That, pursuant to the Transfer and Release Agreement attached hereto as *Exhibit D*, the City Council authorizes the transfer of ownership of retiring police canine Wyatt to Officer Tyler Marston, as of October 2, 2024.

**Section 6.** That the Chief of Police shall effectuate the transfer of ownership of the retiring police canines as set forth herein.

**Section 7.** That this resolution shall be in full force and effect as to the ownership of each retiring canine as of the dates for such respective transfers of ownership as set forth above.

**ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Meridian, Idaho, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

**APPROVED** by the Mayor of the City of Meridian, Idaho, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

**APPROVED:**

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Robert E. Simison, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chris Johnson, City Clerk



## TRANSFER AND RELEASE AGREEMENT: RETIRING CANINE

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I, Bryan Albers do hereby acknowledge and agree that: the City of Meridian has transferred ownership of a GSD police canine named ARCO (“subject canine”) to my private ownership; that the transfer of ownership shall occur immediately upon adoption of City Council resolution declaring subject canine to be surplus property and delivery of the subject canine into my possession; and that my acceptance of the subject canine shall be subject to the following terms and conditions, which shall be binding upon me, upon each and all current or future members of my household, and upon any subsequent owners of the subject canine. I acknowledge and agree that:

1. Acceptance of possession and ownership of a police canine carries risks, some of which are unknown, and with that knowledge I do assume all known and unknown risks and hazards of said possession and ownership.
2. I accept ownership of the subject canine as-is, without any warranty or representation from the City of Meridian regarding the subject canine’s present or future health.
3. I agree not to use the subject canine to perform any search, detection, apprehension, or other police activity.
4. Upon taking possession of subject canine, I agree to assume full financial responsibility and liability for subject canine including, but not limited to, providing for subject canine’s feed, shelter, veterinary care, licensing, training, and enrichment.
5. Upon taking possession of subject canine, I shall, and hereby do, release and forever hold harmless the City of Meridian from any and all real or possible losses, claims, actions, judgments for damages, expenses, harm or injury to myself or to any household member, visitor, invitee, or guest; to any other person; and/or to property incurred in relation to ownership of subject canine, regardless of the manner by which such claim may be brought.

My signature below confirms that I have read and agree with the above acknowledgements and conditions of ownership of the subject canine, and hereby agree to assume custody of the subject canine and thereby accept ownership and possession of the subject canine to my custody and care, pursuant to the above enumerated term and conditions.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bryan Albers", written over a horizontal line.

Date: 10-07-2024

Bryan Albers




## TRANSFER AND RELEASE AGREEMENT: RETIRING CANINE

I, Peter Glynn, do hereby acknowledge and agree that: the City of Meridian has transferred ownership of a Belgian Malinois police canine named Gus ("subject canine") to my private ownership; that the transfer of ownership shall occur immediately upon adoption of City Council resolution declaring subject canine to be surplus property and delivery of the subject canine into my possession; and that my acceptance of the subject canine shall be subject to the following terms and conditions, which shall be binding upon me, upon each and all current or future members of my household, and upon any subsequent owners of the subject canine. I acknowledge and agree that:

1. Acceptance of possession and ownership of a police canine carries risks, some of which are unknown, and with that knowledge I do assume all known and unknown risks and hazards of said possession and ownership.
2. I accept ownership of the subject canine as-is, without any warranty or representation from the City of Meridian regarding the subject canine's present or future health.
3. I agree not to use the subject canine to perform any search, detection, apprehension, or other police activity.
4. Upon taking possession of subject canine, I agree to assume full financial responsibility and liability for subject canine including, but not limited to, providing for subject canine's feed, shelter, veterinary care, licensing, training, and enrichment.
5. Upon taking possession of subject canine, I shall, and hereby do, release and forever hold harmless the City of Meridian from any and all real or possible losses, claims, actions, judgments for damages, expenses, harm or injury to myself or to any household member, visitor, invitee, or guest; to any other person; and/or to property incurred in relation to ownership of subject canine, regardless of the manner by which such claim may be brought.

My signature below confirms that I have read and agree with the above acknowledgements and conditions of ownership of the subject canine, and hereby agree to assume custody of the subject canine and thereby accept ownership and possession of the subject canine to my custody and care, pursuant to the above enumerated term and conditions.

  
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Peter Glynn

Date: 10/2/24





## TRANSFER AND RELEASE AGREEMENT: RETIRING CANINE

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I, Taylor Aja, do hereby acknowledge and agree that: the City of Meridian has transferred ownership of a German Shepherd police canine named Griz (“subject canine”) to my private ownership; that the transfer of ownership shall occur immediately upon adoption of City Council resolution declaring subject canine to be surplus property and delivery of the subject canine into my possession; and that my acceptance of the subject canine shall be subject to the following terms and conditions, which shall be binding upon me, upon each and all current or future members of my household, and upon any subsequent owners of the subject canine. I acknowledge and agree that:

1. Acceptance of possession and ownership of a police canine carries risks, some of which are unknown, and with that knowledge I do assume all known and unknown risks and hazards of said possession and ownership.
2. I accept ownership of the subject canine as-is, without any warranty or representation from the City of Meridian regarding the subject canine’s present or future health.
3. I agree not to use the subject canine to perform any search, detection, apprehension, or other police activity.
4. Upon taking possession of subject canine, I agree to assume full financial responsibility and liability for subject canine including, but not limited to, providing for subject canine’s feed, shelter, veterinary care, licensing, training, and enrichment.
5. Upon taking possession of subject canine, I shall, and hereby do, release and forever hold harmless the City of Meridian from any and all real or possible losses, claims, actions, judgments for damages, expenses, harm or injury to myself or to any household member, visitor, invitee, or guest; to any other person; and/or to property incurred in relation to ownership of subject canine, regardless of the manner by which such claim may be brought.

My signature below confirms that I have read and agree with the above acknowledgements and conditions of ownership of the subject canine, and hereby agree to assume custody of the subject canine and thereby accept ownership and possession of the subject canine to my custody and care, pursuant to the above enumerated term and conditions.

Taylor Aja   
**OFFICER NAME**

Date: 12/31/24



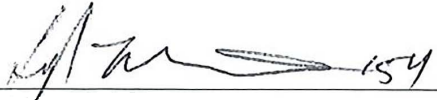
## TRANSFER AND RELEASE AGREEMENT: RETIRING CANINE

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I, Tyler Marston, do hereby acknowledge and agree that: the City of Meridian has transferred ownership of a Belgian Malinois police canine named Wyatt (“subject canine”) to my private ownership; that the transfer of ownership shall occur immediately upon adoption of City Council resolution declaring subject canine to be surplus property and delivery of the subject canine into my possession; and that my acceptance of the subject canine shall be subject to the following terms and conditions, which shall be binding upon me, upon each and all current or future members of my household, and upon any subsequent owners of the subject canine. I acknowledge and agree that:

1. Acceptance of possession and ownership of a police canine carries risks, some of which are unknown, and with that knowledge I do assume all known and unknown risks and hazards of said possession and ownership.
2. I accept ownership of the subject canine as-is, without any warranty or representation from the City of Meridian regarding the subject canine’s present or future health.
3. I agree not to use the subject canine to perform any search, detection, apprehension, or other police activity.
4. Upon taking possession of subject canine, I agree to assume full financial responsibility and liability for subject canine including, but not limited to, providing for subject canine’s feed, shelter, veterinary care, licensing, training, and enrichment.
5. Upon taking possession of subject canine, I shall, and hereby do, release and forever hold harmless the City of Meridian from any and all real or possible losses, claims, actions, judgments for damages, expenses, harm or injury to myself or to any household member, visitor, invitee, or guest; to any other person; and/or to property incurred in relation to ownership of subject canine, regardless of the manner by which such claim may be brought.

My signature below confirms that I have read and agree with the above acknowledgements and conditions of ownership of the subject canine, and hereby agree to assume custody of the subject canine and thereby accept ownership and possession of the subject canine to my custody and care, pursuant to the above enumerated term and conditions.

 154 Date: 10/02/24

Tyler Marston