



## CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

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**MEETING DATE:** 3/24/2026

**REQUESTER:** Kellee Robertson, Animal Welfare Manager

**PRESENTER:** Kevin Foster, Chief of Police

**ITEM TITLE:** CONSIDERATION OF ACCEPTANCE, APPROVAL, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1518.00 FROM PETCO LOVE TO BE USED BY THE ANIMAL WELFARE DIVISION OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AS A STIPEND FOR ADMINISTERING 506 VACCINES TO OWNED PETS AT NO COST TO RESIDENTS; APPROVAL OF CONTRACT K-2526-154; AND BUDGET APPROPRIATION AS OUTLINED IN THE STAFF REPORT.

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### **BACKGROUND:**

Petco Love's Vaccinated and Loved initiative is a national program launched in 2021 to increase access to lifesaving, core vaccinations for dogs and cats by providing free vaccines through animal shelters and community partners. The program focuses on preventing deadly but vaccine-preventable diseases such as parvovirus, distemper, and panleukopenia, particularly in underserved and low-income communities where access to veterinary care may be limited. By removing cost barriers to preventative care, Vaccinated and Loved helps keep pets healthy, reduces the spread of disease in shelters and the community, and supports the human-animal bond by keeping pets safely in their homes.

### **DISCUSSION:**

The Animal Welfare Division participated in Petco Love's Vaccinated and Loved initiative, a national program designed to increase access to core vaccinations and reduce the spread of vaccine-preventable diseases among owned pets within the City of Norman. Through this partnership, Norman Animal Welfare administered 506 vaccines to owned pets at no cost to residents. Petco Love provided a \$3.00 stipend per vaccine administered to offset program-related expenses, resulting in a total award of \$1,518.00 to the Animal Welfare Division. These funds support ongoing animal health services and community-based preventative care efforts.

**RECOMMENDATION No 1:** Acceptance of the grant by Council, and deposit funds into Special Grant Fund, Miscellaneous Police Grant Revenue Account (226-331343), and

**RECOMMENDATION No 2:** Appropriate \$1,518.00 to Miscellaneous Police Grants: Other Supplies and Materials – Medical (account 22660211-43117).