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Board of Supervisors County of Marin Room 329, Civic Center San Rafael, CA 94903

SUBJECT: Amendment to Current Agreement with the Marin Humane Society for Animal Control Services

Dear Board Members:

RECOMMENDATION: Authorize President to execute a contract amendment with the Marin Humane Society which 1) forgoes the scheduled the FY 2010-11 four percent increase 2) extends the current contract to June 30, 2012 and 3) provides a two percent contract increase in FY 2011-12.

SUMMARY: Marin County and all of Marin's cities and towns provide animal control services through a joint powers agency (JPA). Marin County contracts with the Marin Humane Society to provide animal control services on behalf of the JPA. The cost of services is shared: 30% by the County and 70% apportioned between the cities and towns. FY 2010-11 is the third year of the current agreement and, if unchanged, expires on June 30, 2011.

The Marin Humane Society has agreed to forego the scheduled FY 2010-11 contract increase of 4%, to extend the current contract agreement by one year and to receive a 2% increase in FY 2011-12. The JPA negotiation team, which included representatives from the County Administrator's Office, the City of San Rafael, the City of Novato and the City of Belvedere has presented this change to the City and Town Managers, and they are in agreement with its provisions. Additionally, the JPA and the Humane Society will meet to aggressively explore reduction options prior to the expiration of the next contract.

FISCAL IMPACT: The proposed amendment would result in a net savings over the next two years of approximately \$182,000. Savings will be shared according to the contribution formula. Therefore, the County would save approximately \$54,600 as compared to the current contract.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew H. Hymel County Administrator

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cc: City/Town Managers
Marin Humane Society