

**MEMORANDUM
PLACER COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Animal Control Division**

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Richard J. Burton, M.D., M.P.H.
Placer County Health Officer and Director of Health & Human Services
James T. Gandley, D.D.S, M.P.H., Assistant Director of HHS

DATE: February 6, 2007

SUBJECT: Amendment to Umbrella Contract for Emergency Veterinary Services

ACTION REQUESTED:

1. Amend Umbrella Contract CH000006 with various veterinary providers for emergency veterinary services, increasing funding by \$28,000 for a revised total amount not to exceed \$58,000 for fiscal year 2006-2007.
2. Approve a Budget Revision transferring funds from Contingencies to fund the requested amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Emergency veterinary services are sometimes necessary when injured animals are picked up in the community. The animal is taken to the nearest veterinarian who is willing to perform services for the County. These services are performed at the usual and customary fees for each veterinary practice. As these services may be provided by any willing veterinary office, the providers may include any Placer County veterinarian. Veterinarians that have provided services during the current fiscal year are shown in Attachment A.

The veterinarians willing to perform these services for the County change as the veterinarians change within the community. Some will perform emergency services, but not spay and neuter services, or vice versa. In order to maximize the number of facilities providing services to these animals, an umbrella contract is being recommended. The umbrella contract allows multiple providers to be tied to one aggregate total contract amount controlled through the Performance Accounting System. This offers the County the flexibility to use the most appropriate provider available at the time that services are needed, within the funding limits authorized by the Board.

The original funding amount is nearing full expenditure, due to unanticipated costs including a dog abuse case requiring surgical correction (\$2,400), a horse neglect/abuse case requiring extensive hospitalization (\$6,000), and a case involving multiple dogs, many of which are still housed at the Shelter, all requiring medical treatment (\$9,000). In addition, many of the services that were previously provided by the Shelter veterinarian have recently been referred to the community veterinarians, as the Shelter has been without a veterinarian for approximately six months. This condition was recently remedied with the approval of a new contract with Dr. Roberta Peterson, approved by your Board on January 23rd of this year.

FISCAL IMPACT:

To fund these additional expenses, a Budget Revision in the amount of \$28,000 is included for your approval, transferring the balance of the funding in the contingency line item in the Animal Services budget. Emergency veterinary services are not generally fee reimbursed and primarily require County General Funds.

Attachment A

Board of Supervisors Agenda Item
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Veterinarians providing emergency services July-December 2006:

Animal Medical Center

Animal Spay & Neuter

Bowman Veterinary Hospital

Colfax Veterinary Hospital

Companion Veterinary Clinic

Critter Creek Veterinary Hospital

Edgewood Veterinary Clinic

Loomis Basin Large Animal Veterinary Clinic

Loomis Basin Small Animal Veterinary Clinic

Sierra Pet Clinic

Sunset Whitney Vet Hospital

PLACER COUNTY

PAS DOCUMENT NO.

BUDGET REVISION

POST DATE:

DEPT NO.	DOC TYPE	Total \$ Amount	TOTAL LINES
14 BR		56,000.00	2

Cash Transfer Required
 Reserve Cancellation Required
 Establish Reserve Required

Auditor-Controller
 County Executive
 Board of Supervisors

ESTIMATED REVENUE ADJUSTMENT

DEPT NO.	T/C	Rev	Fund	Sub Fund	OCA	PCA	OBJ 3	PROJ.	PROJ. DTL	AMOUNT
14	014				223931	81100	2555			28,000.00
14	015				223931	81100	5600			28,000.00
TOTAL										56,000.00

APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT

DEPT NO.	T/C	Rev	Fund	Sub Fund	OCA	PCA	OBJ 3	PROJ.	PROJ. DTL	AMOUNT
14	014				223931	81100	2555			28,000.00
14	015				223931	81100	5600			28,000.00
TOTAL										56,000.00

REASON FOR REVISION: To transfer the remaining balance in the Animal Services Appropriation for Contingencies (#5600) account to Purchased Professional Services (#2555) to fund the amendment to the Emergency Veterinary Services umbrella contract.

Prepared by Stan Hapak Ext x-1841

Department Head [Signature]

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Budget Revision # _____ FOR INDIVIDUAL DEPT USE

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