

# City of Waukesha

### Administration

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Submitted By: Shawn Reilly, Mayor	City Administrator Approval: Kevin Lahner, City Administrator KML
Finance Department Review: Rich Abbott, Finance Director RA	City Attorney's Office Review: Brian Running, City Attorney BER

# Subject:

Review and Act on a recommendation to approve a 3 year contract with Humane Animal Welfare Society of Waukesha County (HAWS) to provide animal services as described in the contract. Also, authorize the City Attorney to finalize the contract and authorize the Mayor to sign the contract.

### Details:

The City has contracted with HAWS for many years and the fee has been the same since at least 2006. They provide a great service to the City for the care, management, sterilization, and placement of stray, abandoned, neglected, abused or injured animals. Most recently they assisted the City with the seizure of over 300 Chinchilla's and working to have them adopted. According to a news report, caring for those animals alone for 2 months would have cost more than the yearly contract amount. At the most recent department director's meeting the service level was discussed and the feedback was that it is excellent.

# **Options & Alternatives:**

Option 1 – Renew a 3 year term with HAWS for the service

Option 2 – Find another way to provide the service and it is thought that HAWS is the only provider in the immediate area.

# **Financial Remarks:**

The Funding for this item is in the General Fund (0100) Animal Shelter account 2920.52990. The fee has been flat at \$45,623 per year for over a decade.

## **Executive Recommendation:**

The City Administrator and Mayor recommend approving the contract.

