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|  <p style="text-align: center;">Council Communication Office of the City Manager</p> | Date: | February 27, 2012 |
| | Agenda Item No. | 53C |
| | Roll Call No. | [] |
| | Communication No. | <u>12-091</u> |
| | Submitted by: | Judy A. Bradshaw, Chief of Police |

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval of a two year contract with the Animal Rescue League (ARL) 5452 NE 22nd Street, Ankeny, Iowa Tom Colvin, president, for continued operating services at the Des Moines Animal Shelter and for Animal Control services in the city of Des Moines.

SYNOPSIS:

The Police Department proposes entering a two-year contract with the ARL for the leasing of the Animal Shelter and Animal Control services in the city of Des Moines. Presently the City has two contracts with the ARL which run congruently and will expire on June 30, 2012. The proposed contract will consolidate the existing contracts in an effort to increase efficiency and reduce costs. The term of this contract will begin on July 1, 2012 and conclude on June 30, 2014.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$ 568,359.00

Funding Source: Police, Animal Control Section, Operating budget POL101600 521020 found in the Recommended Budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2013 on page 220

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

In efforts to reduce costs, the Police Department and the ARL examined ways to offer services with the least impact to citizens of Des Moines. Some reduction in hours at the Animal Shelter and minor adjustments in the hours of service in the Animal Control services were necessary to achieve this goal. The fiscal impact of this contract represents a cost savings of \$ 300,000 over the previous contracts. Other items will be addressed through an ordinance change and fee schedule changes in separate communications and agenda items. The Police Department is assured that the inconvenience to the citizen will be minimal and the changes will be amendable to the majority of the citizens affected.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: July 11, 2011

Roll Call Number: [11-1212](#)

Action: Amendments to extend present contracts with the Animal Rescue League of Iowa (Tom Colvin, President) for services at the Des Moines Animal Shelter and for Animal Control Services until June 30, 2012. ([Council Communication No. 11-453](#)) **Moved by Meyer to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.**

Date: February 9, 2009

Roll Call Number: [09-153](#)

Action: Proposal from Animal Rescue League of Iowa to provide animal control services, \$525,000 per year. ([Council Communication No. 09-080](#)) **Moved by Coleman to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.**

Date: June 9, 2008

Roll Call Number: [08-1014](#)

Action: Three-year contract with Animal Rescue League of Iowa, Inc. to provide services at the Des Moines Animal Shelter, \$343,459 per year. ([Council Communication No. 08-352](#)) Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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