

**TO:** James L. App, City Manager

**FROM:** Dennis J. Cassidy, Chief of Police

**SUBJ:** Animal Control Contract

**DATE:** May 2, 2006

**NEEDS:** To contract with the San Luis Obispo Sheriff's Department Animal Services Division for animal control related services.

**FACTS:**

1. The City of Paso Robles contracts with the San Luis Obispo Sheriff's Department Animal Services Division for animal control services.
2. The current contract for animal control services expires June 30, 2006.
3. San Luis Obispo Sheriff's Department Animal Services Division has made significant increases to the contract price with a goal of achieving "full cost recovery" for their agency.
4. SLOSD Animal Services advised the Police Department to expect 20% increases to the animal services contract annually until full cost recover is realized.
5. The Police Department pursued expanded budget requests in the most recent budget hearings with the anticipated increases in mind.
6. The attached 3-year contract by SLOSD Animal Services proposes renewal of the existing agreement at current service levels, with a 20% increase in cost in FY 2007, and a 24% increase for both FY 2008 and 2009.

**ANALYSIS &  
CONCLUSION:**

The proposed San Luis Obispo County Animal Services Division contract remains constant relative to services that will be provided to the City of Paso Robles; however, cost is proposed to increase each year up to 24% of the proposed contract in pursuit of "full cost recovery" by the County. At this time, the Police Department is unable to adequately assume responsibility for the animal services duties in this City for less than the proposed contract pricing; however, this prospect will continue to be more closely considered in future years as the contract cost for these services continues to increase.

SLOSD Animal Services Division previously notified the Police Department to expect 20% increases each year in upcoming contracts until full cost recovery is realized. The Police Department planned accordingly through the expanded budget request process and the increase in contract fees will be covered in the current budget through FY 2007. The financial plan also

contains a plan for at least a 20 % increase in 2008 and 2009. The Police Department will continue to address contract increases through the budgeted process in the future.

**POLICY  
REFERENCE:**

None.

**FISCAL  
IMPACT:**

None; currently budgeted item. Future increases have been anticipated and planned for and will be addressed / confirmed in the next budget cycle.

**OPTIONS:**

1. Adopt Resolution 06-xx authorizing the Mayor to execute a three (3) year contract with the County of San Luis Obispo Sheriff's Department, Animal Services Division, for animal control services.
2. Amend, modify, or reject the above option.

RESOLUTION NO. 06-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO DE  
ROBLES AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A THREE (3) YEAR  
CONTRACT WITH THE COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO SHERIFF'S  
DEPARTMENT ANIMAL SERVICES DIVISION  
FOR ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES

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WHEREAS, the City of El Paso de Robles has contracted with the County of San Luis Obispo Sheriff's Department Animal Services Division for Animal Control Services for many years; and

WHEREAS, the current contract for animal control services will expire June 30, 2006; and

WHEREAS; the County has proposed a contract to continue providing existing service levels with cost increases each year in pursuit of "full cost recovery;" and

WHEREAS, the proposed contract will provide for animal control services to the City of Paso Robles through June 30, 2009.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles does authorize the Mayor to execute a three (3) year contract for animal control services between the City of El Paso de Robles and the San Luis Obispo County Sheriff's Department Animal Services Division.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Paso Robles this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May 2006 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

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Frank R. Mecham, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Cathy M. David, Deputy City Clerk