

## **Animal Shelter and Supplementary Field Service Agreements**

## Background

- Redondo Beach is currently a “Full Service” contract city with Los Angeles County Animal Care and Control (LAC-DACC)
  - Multiyear agreement from 2019-2024 approved by Council July 2019
  - LAC-DACC is our animal shelter
  - LAC-DACC supplements our Municipal Services Officers (MSO)
- In May 2021 The City of Redondo Beach received notice from LAC-DACC regarding significant changes in structure and pricing
- Agreement gives Los Angeles County sole discretion regarding rates

REDONDO BEACH	FY 2018-19 Actual Costs				FY 2019-20 Actual Costs				FY 2021-22 Estimated Costs (Note 1)				FY 2020-21 Estimated Costs (Note 2)				FY 2021-22 (Year 1) Estimated Costs (Note 3)			
	Before Managed Intake				3 Months Managed Intake				Projection prior to Managed Intake				Managed Intake				Managed Intake			
	Current Billing Methodology																New Methodology (Step 1)			
	City / Service Description	Rate	Unit Type	# Units	Cost	Rate	Unit Type	# Units	Cost	Rate	Unit Type	# Units	Cost	Rate	Unit Type	# Units	Cost	Rate	Unit Type	# Units
<b><u>Sheltering Services</u></b>																				
Alternatives to Impoundment	N/A	Per Capita	-	\$ -	N/A	Per Capita	-	\$ -	N/A	Per Capita	-	\$ -	N/A	Per Capita	-	\$ -	\$ 1.00	Per Capita	68,473	\$ 68,473
Kennel Housing - Dog & Cat**	\$ 44.85	Per Day	602	\$ 27,000	\$ 49.03	Per Day	534	\$ 26,182	\$ 59.63	Per Day	602	\$ 35,897	\$ 50.16	Per Day	308	\$ 15,449	\$ 244.11	Per Impound	55	\$ 13,426
Kennel Housing - Other Animals	\$ 12.74	Per Day	74	\$ 943	\$ 12.28	Per Day	68	\$ 835	\$ 12.37	Per Day	74	\$ 915	\$ 12.07	Per Day	54	\$ 652	included	Per Impound	26	\$ -
Disposal of Dead Animals	\$ 16.56	Each	84	\$ 1,391	\$ 20.24	Each	96	\$ 1,943	\$ 22.40	Each	84	\$ 1,882	\$ 20.06	Each	24	\$ 481	included	Each	24	\$ -
City Shelter Cost				\$ 29,334	City Shelter Cost			\$ 28,960	Estimated City Shelter Cost			\$ 38,694	Estimated City Shelter Cost			\$ 16,582	Estimated City Shelter Cost			\$ 81,899
<b><u>Field Services</u></b>																				
Calls For Service	\$ 101.83	Hours	-	\$ -	\$ 107.58	Hours	-	\$ -	\$ 139.20	Hours	-	\$ -	\$ 119.40	Hours	-	\$ -	\$ 139.83	Hours	-	\$ -
Animal License Enforcement Services	\$ 72.20	Hours	-	\$ -	\$ 76.19	Hours	-	\$ -	\$ 96.88	Hours	-	\$ -	\$ 92.26	Hours	-	\$ -	\$ 96.88	Hours	-	\$ -
				\$ -				\$ -				\$ -				\$ -				\$ -
<b><u>Other</u></b>																				
License Processing Fee	\$ 3.34	Each	-	\$ -	\$ 3.26	Each	-	\$ -	\$ 4.37	Each	-	\$ -	\$ 3.84	Each	-	\$ -	\$ 4.11	Each	-	\$ -
				\$ -				\$ -				\$ -				\$ -				\$ -
<b><u>Revenue:</u></b>																				
Fees Collected From Residents				\$ (2,445)				\$ (1,811)				\$ (2,445)				\$ (1,022)				\$ (1,022)
License/Penalty Fees				\$ -				\$ -				\$ -				\$ -				\$ -
				\$ (2,445)				\$ (1,811)				\$ (2,445)				\$ (1,022)				\$ (1,022)
<b>Total City Net Cost</b>				\$ 26,889				\$ 27,149				\$ 36,249				\$ 15,560				\$ 80,877

Note 1: This is what the City would have paid for FY 21/22 without managed intake under the current billing methodology.

Note 2: This is what the City is estimated to pay for FY 20/21 with managed intake under the current billing methodology.

Note 3: This is what the City is estimated to pay for FY 21/22 with managed intake under Step 1 of the new billing methodology.

County Subsidized	\$ 13,426
True Costs to Provide Animal Control Services at Final Step	\$ 94,303
City Savings (%)	14%

## Options

- **Los Angeles County Carson Shelter**

Known service and relationship history

Approximately 7.3 miles or 24 minutes travel time during peak traffic

Supplemental (optional) field services are available for additional fees

“Full Service” significant price increase estimated to be approximately \$82,000 annually

“Limited and Transfer Services” estimated to be approximately \$5,000 annually but requires an animal shelter

- **SPCA LA**

Approximately 7.8 miles or 26 minutes travel time one way during peak traffic

No first hand experience but other agency feedback is positive

No field services (options) are provided

Pricing estimated to be \$20,000 annually based on historic usage

- **LoveJoy Foundation**

Approximately 8.2 miles or 24 minutes travel time one way during peak traffic

Dedicated to providing service to animals and not administrative services

No field services (options) are provided

Did not respond with a formal proposal

## “No Kill” and Socially Conscious Strategies

- SPCALA does not specifically euthanize for space or for time
- “I don’t support euthanasia, so how can I support you?” We don’t support euthanasia either, but until a community has a home for every dog and cat, it will inevitably occur—somewhere

<https://spcala.com/about/about-us/what-is-no-kill/>

- “Ensure every unwanted or homeless pet has a safe place to go for shelter and care.”
- “Alleviate suffering and make appropriate euthanasia decisions”
- “Considered non-adoptable due to medical issues, behavioral concerns, or other conditions”

<https://animalcare.lacounty.gov/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/Socially-Conscious-Animal-Sheltering-1.pdf>

## Recommendation

Approve the continued use of Los Angeles County Department of Animal Care and Control for transfer services and supplementary field services only. Approve an agreement with Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Los Angeles for animal shelter services. Direct staff to monitor services, costs and bring amendments back to City Council as needed.