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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: December 12, 2023

DATE: November 7, 2023

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Tammy Wines-Jennings, Assistant Director, Regional Animal Services
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THROUGH: Shyanne Schull, Director of Regional Animal Services

SUBJECT: Recommendation to accept cash donations in the amount of [\$4,147.00] and a \$100.00 pizza gift card to Washoe County Regional Animal Services retroactive for the period July 1, 2023 through September 30, 2023, from numerous donors (see attached list), to be used for the humane care and treatment of sick and/or injured, stray, abandoned, or at-risk animals received; express appreciation for these thoughtful contributions; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments. (All Commission Districts)

SUMMARY

Washoe County Code 15.140(f) provides that the Board of County Commissioners ("Board") has sole authority to accept cash contributions from private or public sources.

Washoe County Regional Animal Services has been the recipient of monetary donations from numerous donors totaling [\$4,147.00] and a \$100 pizza gift card from an anonymous donor for the period of July 1, 2023, through September 30, 2023. These donations are used for the humane care and treatment of sick and/or injured, stray, abandoned, or at-risk animals.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Financial Sustainability

PREVIOUS ACTION

The Board of County Commissioners routinely accepts donations on behalf of Washoe County Regional Animal Services.

On August 15, 2023, the Board accepted a donation of approximately 100 dog beds of various sizes and feeding bowls, as well as monetary donations in the amount of [\$3,640.57] to Washoe County Regional Animal Services retroactive for the period April 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023, from numerous donors, to be used for the humane care and treatment of sick and/or injured, stray, abandoned, or at-risk animals.

On April 18, 2023, the Board accepted donations to Washoe County Regional Animal Services in the amount of [\$2,279.75] retroactive for the period January 1, 2023, through

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March 31, 2023, from numerous donors, to be used for the humane care and treatment of sick and/or injured, stray, abandoned, or at-risk animals.

On February 21, 2023, the Board accepted donations to Washoe County Regional Animal Services in the amount of [\$8,736.31] retroactive for the period July 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022, from numerous donors, to be used for the humane care and treatment of sick and/or injured, stray, abandoned, or at-risk animals.

BACKGROUND

For the period of July 1, 2023, through September 30, 2023, Washoe County Regional Animal Services was the recipient of cash donations totaling \$4,147.00. (Please reference attached list for donor information). The department also received a \$100 pizza gift card.

Washoe County Code 15.140(f) provides that the Board has sole authority to accept cash contributions from private or public donors. As such, acceptance of donations requires Board approval.

Donations are generally used to encourage responsible pet ownership, seek treatment of sick animals, injured animals or at-risk animals, and to promote humane treatment of animals.

FISCAL IMPACT

Upon receipt, donations are deposited into a special Internal Order for donations, IN 20319-484000 (Injured Animal Fund-Donations). Should the Board accept the donations, the Animal Services FY24 adopted budget will be increased in the following accounts:

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| IN20319-484000 | Injured Animal Fund-Donations | \$ 4,147.00 |
| IN20319-710500 | Injured Animal Fund-Other Expense | \$ 4,147.00 |

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended to accept cash donations in the amount of [\$4,147.00] and a \$100.00 pizza gift card to Washoe County Regional Animal Services retroactive for the period July 1, 2023 through September 30, 2023, from numerous donors (see attached list), to be used for the humane care and treatment of sick and/or injured, stray, abandoned, or at-risk animals received; express appreciation for these thoughtful contributions; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: "Recommendation to accept cash donations in the amount of [\$4,147.00] and a \$100.00 pizza gift card to Washoe County Regional Animal Services retroactive for the period July 1, 2023 through September 30, 2023, from numerous donors (see attached list), to be used for the humane care and treatment of sick and/or injured, stray, abandoned, or at-

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