

ANIMAL CONTROL AGREEMENT

This agreement is made and entered into by and between the CITY OF YAKIMA, a Washington municipal corporation (hereinafter the "City") and the YAKIMA HUMANE SOCIETY, a non-profit corporation (hereinafter the Humane Society). For the purposes of this contract, references to City Officer(s) shall mean City of Yakima employees charged with carrying out animal control related duties stipulated in this contract.

WHEREAS, the Humane Society operates an animal shelter to shelter animals impounded by the City's Officers; and

WHEREAS, the City of Yakima requires the use of an animal shelter to shelter animals impounded by the City's Officers; and

WHEREAS, the City has previously contracted with the Humane Society for the boarding of animals impounded by City Officers and other services at the Humane Society's animal shelter; and

WHEREAS, the Humane Society is willing to continue providing said animal shelter services to the City in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the City to enter into a contract for continued animal shelter services in accordance with the terms and conditions of the attached agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants, promises, and agreements set forth herein, it is agreed by and between the City and the Humane Society as follows:

1. Animal Shelter Services

a. Impounded Animals. On delivery by the City, the Humane Society shall board all animals impounded by the City's Officers at its animal shelter located at 2405 West Birchfield Road. The Humane Society shall keep accurate records of all animals impounded by the City's Officers that are delivered to its animal shelter. The Humane Society shall submit a monthly report of all animals impounded, the date delivered to the animal shelter, the number of days impounded, the date of release, and/or the date euthanized.

b. Stray Animals. The Humane Society shall keep accurate records of all stray animals picked up by City Officers within the City limits and delivered to its animal shelter.

c. Owner Surrendered Animals. The Humane Society shall also keep accurate records on all owner surrendered animals that are transported to the Humane Society by a City of Yakima Officer.

d. Unclaimed Animals. Unclaimed animals impounded by City Officers and delivered to the animal shelter shall become the property of the Humane Society. All dogs without any form of ID (License, ID Tag, Microchip etc.) will be held for three (3) days. All dogs with some form of

ID (license, ID Tag, microchip etc.) will be held for five (5) days excluding Wednesdays and major holidays.

e. Disposal of Dead Animals. Upon delivery by the City, the Humane Society shall properly dispose of all dead animals (dogs, cats, and other animals of similar size) picked up by City Officers. The Humane Society shall provide a means of proper disposal for these dead animals. The City shall pay the Humane Society Six Thousand Dollars (\$6000.00) to be paid in monthly installments for disposal services.

f. Redemption of Animals. The Humane Society is responsible for all animals redeemed by the animal's owners after City Officers deliver animals to the shelter.

g. Collection of fees/fines. The Humane Society shall not release an unlicensed animal to an owner that resides within the City until a license has been purchased with appropriate verification of the license being confirmed by the Humane Society.

h. Treatment of Animals. The Humane Society shall, at all times, both during and after the impound period, treat animals delivered by the City to its animal shelter in a humane manner. The Humane Society may euthanize, in a humane manner, any animal delivered to its animal shelter by the City, which obviously has a contagious disease, is so injured that it cannot be helped with medical treatment or is otherwise unadoptable due to behavioral issues.

i. Forms and Costs of Printing. The City will furnish to the Humane Society, or pay the cost of printing, all forms used in supplying statistics for its records.

j. Records Retention. The records relating to this Agreement must be made available to the City and are City of Yakima records. They must be produced to third parties, if required pursuant to the Washington State Public Records Act, Chapter 42.56 RCW, or by law. All records related to this Agreement must be retained by the Humane Society for a minimum of 6 years after the end date or termination of this Agreement. The records shall at all times be subject to inspection by and with the approval of the City of Yakima, and will be provided to the City upon the city's request. This Section shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

k. Legal Holds. The City will pay 21.00 per day for sheltering an animal, if the animal is required to stay at the shelter due to a mandatory legal hold specified in the Yakima Municipal Code and the hold is caused by the City. Costs incurred due to a hold beyond the hold duration specified by the City Officer will be the responsibility of the Humane Society. It will be the responsibility of the Humane Society to keep track of the duration of a hold, unless the hold duration is extended by the City beyond the time determined by the City Officer at the time of intake. The City shall not be liable for extensions of legal holds that are not extended by the City.

2. City Officer Duties

- a. Upon delivery of impounded animals to the Humane Society animal shelter, City Officers will complete a form provided by the Humane Society that describes the status of the animal, the location where the animal was picked up, the animal owner's name and contact information (if known), the required duration of the hold (if applicable), and other information deemed necessary by the Humane Society for animal intake.

- b. City Officers will not be responsible for the Humane Society's animal intake procedures or data entry into a Humane Society's intake tracking system.
- c. City Officers will notify the Humane Society of hold extensions caused by the City that are beyond the time determined at the time of delivery of the animal to the Humane Society animal shelter.

3. Humane Society Standby Coverage.

- a. Should City Officers have the need to deliver an animal to the Humane Society's animal shelter outside of the shelter's regular working hours, the officer will contact shelter personnel to meet at the shelter to coordinate intake of the animal. The City agrees to compensate the Humane Society an additional Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00) a day, plus a Fifty Dollar (\$50.00) fee for each callout. The callout fee includes euthanasia services, if applicable.

4. Consideration.

Effective January 1, 2023, the City of Yakima agrees to compensate the Humane Society a total of One Hundred Ten Dollars (\$110.00) monthly for each animal impounded by City Officers plus an annual amount of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) to be paid in monthly installments for housing services of the animals.

- 5. Term of Agreement.** The term of this agreement shall commence on January 3, 2023 and shall continue automatically for additional annual terms upon the same terms and conditions set forth herein, unless either party gives the other written notice not later than August 31 of any year of its desire to terminate this Agreement. Such termination may be without cause and shall be effective on the last day of December of the year of such notice, and payments by the City of the months of September through December of that year shall be at the rates applicable to the existing agreement. Additionally, either party has the right to terminate this Agreement for cause in according with Section 20 of the Agreement.

- 6. Status of Humane Society.** The Humane Society and the City understand and expressly agree that the Humane Society is an independent contractor in the performance of each and every part of this Agreement. The Humane Society and its employees shall make no claim of City employment nor shall claim against the City any related employment benefits, social security, and/or retirement.

- 7. Taxes and Assessments.** The Humane Society shall be solely responsible for compensating its employees and for paying all related taxes, deductions, and assessments, including but not limited to, federal income tax, FICA, social security tax, assessments for unemployment and industrial injury, and other deductions from income which may be required by law or assessed against either party as a result of this Agreement, the Humane Society shall pay the same before it becomes due.

8. **Nondiscrimination Provision.** During the performance of this Agreement, the Humane Society shall not discriminate in violation of any applicable federal, state and/or local law or regulation on the basis of age, sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, marital status, disability, honorably discharged veteran or military status, pregnancy, sexual orientation, and any other classification protected under federal, state, or local law. This provision shall include but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment, advertising, layoff, or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, selection for training, and the provision of services under this Agreement.
9. **Compliance with Law.** The Humane Society agrees to perform all services under and pursuant to this Agreement in full compliance with any and all applicable laws, rules, and regulations adopted or promulgated by any governmental agency or regulatory body, whether federal, state, local or otherwise.
10. **No Insurance.** It is understood that the City does not maintain liability insurance for the Humane Society and/or its employees.
11. **No Conflict of Interest.** The Humane Society represents that neither it nor its employees have any interest and shall not hereafter acquire an interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner of degree with the performance of this Agreement. The Humane Society further covenants that it will not hire anyone or any entity having such a conflict of interest during the performance of this Agreement.
12. **Indemnification and Hold Harmless.** The Humane Society agrees to protect, defend, indemnify, exonerate, and hold harmless the City, its elected and appointed officials, agents, officers, and employees (hereafter "parties protected") from (1) any and all claims, demands, liens, lawsuits, administrative and other proceedings, and (2) any and all judgments, awards, losses, liabilities, damages (including punitive or exemplary damages), penalties, fines, costs and expenses (including legal fees, costs, and disbursements) for, and arising out of, or related to any actual or alleged death, injury, damage or destruction to any person or any property (including but not limited to any actual or alleged violations of civil rights) to the extent solely or concurrently caused by, arising out of, or related to any actual or alleged act, action, default, or omission (whether intentional, willful, reckless, negligent, inadvertent, or otherwise) resulting from, arising out of, or related to the Humane Society's provision of services, work or materials pursuant to this Agreement.
13. **Humane Society Insurance.**
 - (a) Commercial Liability. On or before the date this Agreement is executed, the Humane Society shall provide the City with a certificate of insurance as proof of liability insurance in the amount of Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) that clearly states who the provider is, the amount of coverage, the policy number, and when the policy

and the provisions provided are in effect (any statement in the certificate to the effect of “this certificate is issued as a matter of information only and covers no right upon the certificate holder” shall be deleted). Said policy shall be in effect for the duration of this Agreement. The policy shall name the City, its elected officials, officers, agents, and employees as additional insured’s and shall contain a clause that the insurer will not cancel or change the insurance without first giving the City thirty (30) calendar days prior written notice (any language in the clause to the effect of “but failure to mail such notice shall impose no obligation or liability of any kind upon the company” shall be crossed out and initialed by the insurance agent). The insurance shall be with an insurance company or companies rated A-VII or higher in Best’s Guide and admitted in the State of Washington.

- (b) Worker’s Compensation. The Humane Society agrees to pay all premiums provided for by the Worker’s Compensation Act of the State of Washington. Evidence of the Humane Society’s workers’ compensation coverage will be furnished to the City. The Humane Society holds the City harmless for any injury or death to the Humane Society’s employees while performing this Agreement.
- (c) Umbrella policy. The Humane Society shall provide the City with a certificate of insurance as proof of an umbrella insurance policy with a total minimum liability limit of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00). The certificate shall clearly state who the provider is, the coverage amount, the policy number, and when the policy and provisions provided are in effect. Said policy shall continue in effect for the duration of the Agreement. The policy shall name the City, its elected and appointed officials, officers, agents, employees, and volunteers as additional insureds, and shall contain a clause that the insurer will not cancel or change the insurance without first giving the City thirty (30) calendar days prior written notice (any language in the clause to the effect of “but failure to mail such notice shall impose no obligation or liability or any kind upon the company” shall be crossed out and initialed by the insurance agent). The insurance shall be with an insurance company or companies rated A-VII or higher in Best’s Guide and admitted in the State of Washington.

- 14. **Delegation of Services.** The services provided for herein shall be performed by the Humane Society, and no other person other than regular associates or employees of the Humane Society shall be engaged upon such work or services except upon written approval of City.
- 15. **Assignment.** This Agreement, or any interest herein, or claim hereunder, shall not be assigned or transferred in whole or in part by the Humane Society to any other person or entity without the prior written consent of the City. In the event that such prior written consent to an assignment is granted, then the assignee shall assume all duties, obligations, and liabilities of the Humane Society as stated herein.
- 16. **Severability.** If any portion of this Agreement is changed per mutual agreement or any portion is held invalid, the remainder of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.
- 17. **Modification of Agreement.** If either party desires to change or modify this Agreement, such party shall give written notice to the other not later than August 31st or of any year

of its desire and if a new agreement has not been reached by the following January 1st, the Agreement shall terminate on the following March 31st.

18. **Integration.** This written document constitutes the entire agreement between the City and the Humane Society. No changes or additions to this Agreement shall be valid or binding upon either party unless such change or addition be in writing and executed by both parties. This Agreement supersedes any and all previous agreements between the parties.
19. **Non-Waiver.** The Waiver by the Humane Society or the City of the breach of any provision of this Agreement by the other party shall not operate or be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach by either party or prevent either party thereafter enforcing any such provision.
20. **Termination for Cause.** In the event that either party breaches or defaults with respect to any of its duties, obligations and conditions of this Agreement, the other party shall be entitled to terminate this Agreement by providing the preaching/defaulting party with a written termination notice thirty (30) calendar days in advance of the effective termination date. The notice shall describe how the other party is in breach/default of this Agreement. The preaching/defaulting party shall have the right to cure such breach/default during the thirty (30) day notice period.
21. **Notices.** Unless stated otherwise here, all notices and demands shall be in writing and sent or hand-delivered to the parties to their addresses as follows:

TO CITY:

City Manager
City of Yakima
129 N 2nd St
Yakima, WA 98901

COPY TO:

Glenn Denman
Codes Administration Manager
129 N. 2nd St.
Yakima, WA 98901

TO HUMANE SOCIETY:
Yakima Humane Society
2405 West Birchfield Road
Yakima, WA 98901

or to other such addresses as the parties may hereafter designate in writing. Notice and/or demands shall be sent by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, or hand delivered. Such notices shall be deemed effective when mailed or hand delivered at the addresses specified above.

1. **Survival.** Any provision of this Agreement which imposes an obligation after termination or expiration of this Agreement shall survive the term or expiration of this Agreement and shall be binding on the parties to this Agreement.

2. **Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Washington.
3. **Venue.** The venue for any action to enforce or interpret this Agreement shall lie in the Superior Court of Washington for Yakima County, Washington.

EXECUTED this 3rd day of January, 2023

CITY OF YAKIMA

YAKIMA HUMANE SOCIETY

By: _____

By: _____

Robert Harrison, City Manager

Its: _____

ATTEST: