



**DATE:** April 25, 2022  
**TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers  
**FROM:** Dave Perrault, City Administrator  
**SUBJECT:** Contract for Impound Services with Animal Humane Society

Budgeted Amount:	Actual Amount:	Funding Source:
\$2,000	TBD	General Fund

**Council Should Consider**

Motions to approve, table, or deny the following:

- An agreement with Animal Humane Society to provide animal impound services for the City of Arden Hills.

*All items need a simple majority for action unless otherwise noted.*

**Discussion**

All seven contract cities (Arden Hills, Falcon Heights, Little Canada, North Oaks, Shoreview, Vadnais Heights, and White Bear Township) were notified that Saint Paul Animal Control would no longer be able to provide animal impound services to each of the cities. Although each has their own contract with an animal impound service, animal control services are provided by the Ramsey County Sheriff’s Office. The Sheriff’s Office is recommending the contract cities go with the Animal Humane Society for impound services. The other six cities have already signed the contract, Arden Hills is the only outstanding City and waiting on Council approval. The City Attorney has reviewed the contract. Once approved, Staff will update the website and other information regarding where animals are impounded.

**Budget Impact**

The City budgets \$2,000 for animal control services, our actual cost in previous years has been \$975 (2021) and \$523 (2020). Future budget impacts will depend on how many animals need impounding, but it is not likely we will exceed our animal control budget. In 2021, five animals needed to be impounded.

**Attachment**

Attachment A: Letter of Understanding for Impound Services