

RE: ANIMAL CONTROL - S.P.C.A. CONTRACT
(ITEM 15, REPORT NO. 62, 1981 DECEMBER 14)
(ITEM 5, REPORT NO. 7, 1982 FEBRUARY 01)

MUNICIPAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the recommendations of the Chief Licence Inspector be adopted.

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MANAGER'S REPORT NO.	21
COUNCIL MEETING	1982 03 29

TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER
FROM: CHIEF LICENCE INSPECTOR
RE: ANIMAL CONTROL: S.P.C.A. CONTRACT
1982 March 24

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. THAT the S.P.C.A. continue to provide the services of poundkeeper on a month to month basis until 1982 June 30, under the terms and conditions of the 1981 contract provided, however, that the rate to be negotiated for the services to be performed in 1982 shall be retroactive to 1982 January 01; and
2. THAT Council approve a beach and park dog patrol program for the period 1982 May 01 and 1982 August 31 at an estimated cost of \$7,900.00; and
3. THAT a copy of this report be forwarded to Mr. C. Jack Holmes, Secretary-Treasurer, B.C. S.P.C.A. Vancouver Regional Branch, 1205 East 7th Avenue, Vancouver.

SUMMARY

This report deals with the extension of the month to month arrangement for poundkeeping services, and the necessity to comply with requirements of the Provincial Stabilization Program, and a proposal to implement a beach and park dog control for the summer season.

REPORT

CONTRACT

The contract in which the S.P.C.A. were appointed poundkeeper for the Corporation expired on 1981 December 31. At the Society's request Council resolved to extend the contract on a month to month basis until 1982 March 31, under the terms and conditions of the 1981 contract provided, however, that the rate to be negotiated for 1982 shall be retroactive to 1982 January 01. This action was taken because negotiations for a working agreement between the S.P.C.A. and their employees were in progress and they are unable to estimate the cost for 1982.

The Society advises that negotiations are still continuing. Additionally, they have determined that the negotiated settlement shall be within the compensation guidelines as set out in the Provincial Stabilization Program. Discussions with Victoria reveal that they will be classified as a non-profit social service society as described in the proposed bill. In this regard the negotiated settlement must be submitted to the Commission for approval prior to the implementation.

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Estimated time table for this process as provided by Victoria to Mr. Jack Holmes of the S.P.C.A. is:

1. Proposed introduction of the Bill to the House - 1982 April 14.
2. Examination of negotiated settlement by Commissioner - one month following proclamation of the bill.

Therefore the earliest date that the S.P.C.A. could be in a position to submit a proposal for a 1982 contract would probably be near the end of May.

Because the passage or proclamation of the bill may be delayed, and in order to allow staff time to review and prepare an analysis of the proposal that will be received from the S.P.C.A. it will likely be about 1982 June 30 before a recommendation on the 1982 contract provisions can be made.

It is recommended that the S.P.C.A. continue to provide the services of poundkeeper on a month to month basis until 1982 June 30, under the terms and conditions of the 1981 contract provided, however, that the rate to be negotiated for the services to be performed in 1982 shall be retroactive to 1982 January 01.

BEACH AND PARK DOG PATROLS

At the request of the Director of Recreation and Cultural Services the S.P.C.A.'s 1982 contract proposal will include provision for one additional part-time pound inspector to perform beach and park patrols from 1982 May 01 to 1982 August 31. The estimated costs of this service is \$1,975.00 per month - four months - \$7,900.00. This estimate takes into consideration some of the expected 1982 wage increases. The actual will be based on the final wage settlement.

This is a pilot program aimed at the increasing number of dog owners who fail to leash their dogs while using park facilities, particularly those persons who take their dogs to a park and turn them loose to run. The inspector will be working under the Dog Tax and Pound and Animal Regulations By-law, No. 6191, which provides authority to impound dogs running at large or issue a ticket summons to an owner. The proposed patrol schedule is Thursday to Monday. Hours of patrol will alternate weekly; one week of early morning patrols and one week of evening patrols. This program will provide a regular weekend patrol of parks and beaches which we are unable to provide with the regular S.P.C.A. staff complement. Funds for this program are included in the Recreation and Cultural Services' budget.

It is recommended that Council approve a beach and park dog patrol program for the period 1982 May 01 and 1982 August 31 at an estimated cost of \$7,900.00.

The Director of Recreation and Cultural Services concurs in this report.



P. Kenzie
CHIEF LICENCE INSPECTOR

cc: Treasurer
Director of Recreation and Cultural Services