



TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER 1991 DECEMBER 10

FILE: C60 SPCA

FROM: DIRECTOR FINANCE

SUBJECT: ANIMAL CONTROL: 1992 S.P.C.A. CONTRACT

PURPOSE: To obtain approval for the 1992 S.P.C.A. contract.

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RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the contract with the S.P.C.A. be renewed for the period 1992 January 01 to 1992 December 31 at a total cost of \$318,087, plus 35% commission on dog licences sold through the S.P.C.A.

SUMMARY

The S.P.C.A. provides poundkeeping services for the municipality. This report presents the S.P.C.A.'s 1992 contract proposal which includes a 1.9% increase over 1991.

The proposed 1992 increase reflects actual operating costs of the S.P.C.A. and inflation. The proposal will increase the cost of the poundkeeping contract by \$5,858 in 1992. Funds are included in the 1992 provisional budget for the 1992 contract.

REPORT

1. Introduction

The poundkeeping contract with the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (S.P.C.A.) expires 1991 December 31.

A contract proposal for 1992 has been received from the S.P.C.A. and reviewed by staff. This report outlines the services provided by the S.P.C.A. to the municipality and presents the terms and conditions of the proposed 1992 poundkeeping contract.

2. Services Provided by the S.P.C.A.

As the municipal poundkeeper, S.P.C.A. provides the following services in Burnaby:

- Enforcement of the Burnaby Animal Control Bylaw
- Investigation of reported bitings or savaging of persons or other animals
- Care and disposition of impounded animals
- Sale of licences
- Administration of the animal shelter
- Removal of the dead and the care of injured animals from streets and public areas
- Operation of the animal crematorium
- Door to door licence canvass

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The basic services maintained under the contract include providing animal shelter and community patrols as outlined below:

- Hours that the animal shelter will be open to the public are:

Monday to Friday                    9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
 Saturday and Sunday            9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

24 hour emergency service is provided for injured animals, pickup of dead animals, investigations of bitings or savaging of persons, and assistance to the Burnaby Fire Department and R.C.M.P.

- Hours of general community patrol will be:

Monday                                9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
 Tuesday to Friday                7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
 Saturday                            7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

- Hours of evening and park/beach patrol will be:

A five day week covering the weekend; 6:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. one week and 2:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. the following week: April through September.

In 1991 the S.P.C.A. carried out the annual municipal door to door dog licence canvass in the south half of the municipality. In 1992 the canvass will be conducted in the north half.

A statistical overview of these services as provided by the S.P.C.A. through the poundkeeping operations from 1987 to 1991 is presented below:

	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991 (Nov.24)
Complaints recorded	1,355	1,131	1,111	1,231	1,030
Dogs and other animals impounded	820	785	871	931	611
Dog bitings investigated	83	76	92	96	61
Violation tickets issued	224	142	171	186	189
Impounded dogs and other animals redeemed	399	386	480	521	331
Impounded dogs euthanized	199	127	74	63	13
Dead animals removed from streets	336	331	408	324	225
Dogs and cats euthanized at the request of the owner	506	535	596	388	238

3. Proposed 1992 Poundkeeping Contract

The S.P.C.A. has submitted a 1992 contract proposal for the provision of poundkeeping services. They are requesting an increase of 1.9% over 1991. The contract proposed is for \$318,087 plus commissions to be paid on the licences sold through the S.P.C.A.

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The total cost of the pound service for 1992 (including commissions) is estimated to be \$337,587 which is a 3.3% increase over 1991. The Municipality pays a 35% commission on the licences sold through the S.P.C.A.

The proposed 1992 increase reflects the actual operating costs of the S.P.C.A. and inflation.

The 1992 contract proposal is recommended for approval. Funds are included in the 1992 provision budget for the 1992 contract proposal. The contract proposal is summarized in Schedule A attached.

Conclusion

The S.P.C.A. continues to provide an effective poundkeeping service to the municipality. The poundkeeping duties are integrated with humane animal care, which results in a comprehensive service that is essential to the needs of the community.

  
Rick Earl  
DIRECTOR FINANCE

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Attach.

cc: Director Recreation & Cultural Services  
Municipal Solicitor  
Executive Director S.P.C.A.

S.P.C.A. CONTRACT COSTS 1988 TO 1992

	1988	1989	1990	1991	Proposed 1992	Increase/ Decrease over 1991
	Contract	Contract	Contract	Contract	Contract	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
S.P.C.A. basic contracting proposal:						
Operating costs	264,393	278,799	309,088	326,645	337,186	10,541
Less income earned by the Society including licence commissions	(32,625)	(36,400)	(44,900)	(46,400)	(52,400)	(6,000)
Net operating costs	231,768	242,399	264,188	280,245	284,786	4,541
Evening patrols	3,559	3,851	4,043	4,286	4,436	150
Park & beach patrols	10,000	10,818	11,508	12,198	12,625	427
Night emergency	12,458	13,415	14,803	15,500	16,240	740
TOTAL S.P.C.A. CONTRACT	257,785	270,483	294,542	312,229	318,087	5,858
Percentage increase in contract over previous year	5.0%	4.9%	9.0%	6.0%	1.9%	
Estimated cost to Burnaby of commissions on licence fees	10,500	10,000	14,500	14,500	19,500	5,000
Total cost of poundkeeping services to Burnaby	268,285	280,483	309,042	326,729	337,587	10,858
Percentage increase in total cost over previous year	4.5%	4.5%	10.2%	5.7%	3.3%	

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