



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: April 11, 2017

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Community Services, Police Department

SUBJECT: Monetary Donation For Animal Control Program Equipment

RECOMMENDATION: That Council:

- A. Accept a donation of \$5,400 from the Deborah K. Oldham Trust of 2001 for the Animal Control program; and
- B. Increase appropriations and estimated revenues in the Fiscal Year 2017 Police Department Miscellaneous Grants Fund for Animal Control equipment in the amount of \$5,400.

DISCUSSION:

The Deborah K. Oldham Trust annually donates money to the Santa Barbara Police Department Animal Control Program. Mr. Stephen Frank, attorney for the trust, has specified that the donation be applied to the purchase of specific Animal Control equipment. The generous gift of \$5,400 will be used to purchase such items as:

- A 7 foot by 14 foot enclosed trailer to house and transport the Animal Control all-terrain vehicle
- Safety work clothing
- Animal nets

In Fiscal Year 2016, donated funds were utilized to purchase an all-terrain vehicle (Council Agenda Report November 10, 2015). The all-terrain vehicle permits Animal Control Officers to respond to calls in areas not accessible by the Animal Control vehicles. These areas include the Douglas Family Preserve, hiking and biking trails in the area of Elings Park, as well as calls for injured and sick animals along the beach front. Transporting the all-terrain vehicle to the various locations as well as finding suitable storage for the vehicle has been an ongoing challenge. The enclosed trailer will solve both of these issues.

The additional equipment will enhance safety for both the animals and Animal Control Officers and enhance the quality service provided to the community.

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SUBMITTED BY: Lori Luhnnow, Chief of Police

APPROVED BY: City Administrator's Office