

RESOLUTION 21-__

A RESOLUTION OF THE COCHISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVING OF EFFORTS TO NEGOTIATE AN AGREEMENT FOR COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER SERVICES WITH THE HUMANE SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN ARIZONA.

WHEREAS, Cochise County (“County”) currently has intergovernmental agreements with City of Douglas and City of Willcox for animal shelter services, pursuant to A.R.S. § 11-952; and

WHEREAS, the current network of animal shelters requires Cochise County Sheriff’s Office Animal Control Officers to transport stray animals far away from areas where the animals were found, hindering owners from re-claiming their pets; and

WHEREAS, the Cochise County Board of Supervisors (“Board”) is interested in adding additional animal shelter services in the southern half of the County; and

WHEREAS, the County owns the property located at 915 Tovreaville Road in Bisbee; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bisbee is interested in releasing the current license to the main building on the Tovreaville Road property within the current calendar year; and

WHEREAS, the Humane Society of Southern Arizona (“HSSA”) has expressed interest in remodeling the main building on Tovreaville Road property as an animal shelter; and

WHEREAS, on May 18, 2021, at a work session, the Board expressed an interest in further exploring the liabilities, benefits, and opportunities of partnering with the HSSA for animal shelter services.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Cochise County Board of Supervisors approves of the County’s efforts to coordinate with the Humane Society of Southern Arizona to form an agreement on animal shelter services for Cochise County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Cochise County, Arizona, this 8th day of June 2021.

Ann English, Chair
Cochise County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Kim A. Lemons, CPCC
Clerk of the Board

Christine J. Roberts, Esq.
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