15-R-20

A RESOLUTION

Authorizing the City Manager to Submit an Application for the Cook County Animal Shelter Grant

WHEREAS, the City of Evanston owns and maintains an animal shelter in Evanston operated by the Evanston Animal Shelter Agency (EASA); and

WHEREAS, the animal shelter building has been deemed to be inadequate for current animal shelter operations; and

WHEREAS, due to the current design of the building, a substantial investment of capital funding would be required to rehabilitate and bring the animal shelter building to current standards; and

WHEREAS, Cook County has designated eight million dollars ($8,000,000) for animal shelter capital improvements through the Cook County Animal Shelter (CCAS) Grant Program in Cook County; and

WHEREAS, the City of Evanston wishes to apply for funds through the CCAS Grant Program, which would potentially provide up to four million five hundred thousand dollars ($4,500,000) towards the building and site improvement project, with the remainder of the funding provided from the City of Evanston (in the amount of one million dollars ($1,000,000), in conjunction with fundraising efforts by the EASA (in the amount of five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000); and
WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Evanston has determined it is in the best interests of the City to apply for the CCAS grant for county funding to contribute towards the rehabilitation project and improve EASA’s operating capacity and capabilities,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EVANSTON, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS:

SECTION 1: The City Manager is hereby authorized to sign and submit all necessary application documents for the CCAS grant.

SECTION 2: The City Manager is also authorized and directed to negotiate and execute any additional documents required for the grant application as she may determine to be in the best interests of the City.

SECTION 3: That this Resolution 15-R-20 shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval in the manner provided by law.

Attest:

[Signature]

Devon Reid, City Clerk

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Eduardo Gomez, Deputy City Clerk

Adopted: February 24, 2020

Approved as to form:

[Signature]

Nicholas Cummings, Deputy City Attorney