DEPARTMENT:
RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION: (Policy Item: Yes ___ No X__)

1. Request that the Board of Supervisors adopt a Resolution authorizing the Chairman of the Board to sign Agreement with Merced County to house stray animals on a temporary basis (four to six months) at the Merced County Shelter.

2. Request that the Board of Supervisors provide direction to the Sheriff as to future housing and care of Animals
   a. Rental of a building to provide a temporary location for housing.
   b. Identification of a site within Mariposa County for the building of a County owned and operated facility for the housing of animals.
   c. Authorize the Sheriff to enter into an agreement with local Veterinarians to provide Medical services for impounded animals.
   d. Authorize the Sheriff to enter into an agreement with SPCA of Mariposa for the use of the facility for short term holding until the animal is transported to Merced.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

The Board has approved resolution in the past for the housing of animals in Merced County. The Board in the past has provided direction as to the Animal Control function within Mariposa County.

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION
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MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTE ORDER

TO: PELK RICHARDS, Sheriff
FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
SUBJECT: Agreement with Merced County for Animal Housing; Res. 00-254

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA,

ADOPTED THIS Order on July 11, 2000

ACTION AND VOTE:

Pelk Richards, Sheriff;
Approve Agreement with Merced County for Animal Housing

BOARD ACTION: Discussion was held with Pelk Richards and Howard Davies, Assistant Sheriff, relative to the proposed contract and options. Jeff Green, County Counsel, asked for clarification relative to the fees and processing. Supervisor Parker requested that the matter be brought back if any method other than legal injection is used for disposal of animals. (M)Pickard, (S)Balmain, Res. 00-254 adopted approving the agreement on a temporary basis with Merced County, with clarification and corrections to be made based on County Counsel’s suggestions/Ayes: Unanimous.

Discussion was held relative to options and costs for housing stray animals. Sheriff Richards commended Supervisor Pickard for his efforts in seeking funding for the County to deal with this issue, and the SPCA was commended for its cooperation during this transition of service providers. Board concurred with requesting that more detailed information be provided for further consideration.

cc: Ken Hawkins, Auditor
    Jeff Green, County Counsel
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