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## **TARZANA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE**

Animal Welfare Committee (AWC) Report to the Tarzana Neighborhood Council (TNC), September 27, 2016, by Jeffrey Mausner, Animal Welfare Committee Chairman.

1. The Temporary Animal Foster Parent Program and the other measures that were instituted at the West Valley Shelter over the 4th of July period, to decrease overcrowding, worked very well. The West Valley Shelter is still crowded, because we got 68 dogs from the Lucky Puppy Rescue in May, and then on top of that the July 4th influx. Then in August, an additional 100 animals were brought into the Shelter from another seizure by Animal Services, from a hoarder. But we are working through it, trying to get dogs and cats adopted, rescued, or temporarily fostered. Sergio, the West Valley Supervisor, has told me that no healthy adoptable dogs have been killed or will be killed. We're definitely past the worst of it, and the Shelter is getting less crowded. The Temporary Foster Program, as well as other measures that were taken at the West Valley Shelter, like use of temporary kennels and doubling up some dogs in kennels, **literally saved the lives of dozens of dogs.** The Tarzana Neighborhood Council, as well as the West Valley Volunteers, Supervisors, and Employees, Len Shaffer, and Councilman Blumenfield were all instrumental in that. So I think that's something we can all feel really good about. The Temporary Foster Program is still available to people who want to foster a dog or cat for a few weeks. An explanation of the program, as well as the application, are on our website at:

[http://tarzananc.org/committees.php?committee\\_id=25](http://tarzananc.org/committees.php?committee_id=25)

<http://tarzananc.org/docs/1307-1082.pdf>, and in the attached documents at pages 2-9.

2. We've received the schedule for delivery of the Animal Control trucks that have air conditioning for the animals. The trucks were ordered late last year, but have not been delivered yet. Most of the trucks in service now have forced air in the animal compartments, which is not sufficient on very hot days. The delivery schedule and specifications for the new trucks with the air conditioning are shown in the attached documents, pages 10-15, Specification G. We weren't able to get the trucks delivered this summer, but delivery of the trucks will start in October and all of the trucks will be delivered by next summer.

3. Rockin' Rescue. We're still waiting for the Zoning Administrator to make her decision on the zoning variance. But Rockin' Rescue has not been bothered in the last few months while we are awaiting the ruling. As you know, both the Tarzana Neighborhood Council and Woodland Hills Neighborhood Council strongly support the work Rockin' Rescue does to save homeless animals and provide the people of our communities with wonderful rescue dogs and cats. Both neighborhood councils have strongly supported Rockin' Rescue's application for zoning variance. Some of the dogs from Rockin' Rescue will be available for adoption at the Melody Acres Block Party on October 23.

4. At a recent Animal Welfare Committee meeting, one of the attendees, Paul Darrigo, came up with a great idea to help alleviate overcrowding at the City Animal Shelters -- rescue organizations taking over an abandoned former City animal shelter. It is the former South Los Angeles Shelter, located at 3612 West 11th Ave (or 3612 11th Ave). The building has been closed and unused for several years. (Please go to [www.bing.com/maps](http://www.bing.com/maps) and input the address: 3612 West 11th Ave, Los Angeles CA; click on Birds Eye view, and you can see the street view. Same with Google maps.) Some pictures of the facility are attached as pp. 20-22.

My understanding is that this facility can hold hundreds of dogs and cats. It seems like a terrible waste for it just to be sitting there abandoned for years, when there are times when dogs and cats are killed because of lack of space in the City Shelters.

I discussed this with Len, who suggested that I speak with Svetlana Pravina, who you know is our liaison with Councilman Blumenfield. She suggested that I contact Jordan Beroukhim, who is City Council President Herb Wesson's Planning

and Land Use Deputy, since the building is located in Councilman Wesson's district.

On September 1, we met with Council President Wesson's staff (Jordan Beroukhim and Deron Williams, his Chief Deputy). Councilman Wesson came into the meeting for a few minutes. They were very interested in pursuing this project and will be working with the General Services Department to see if it can be done. Emails regarding this project are attached as pages 16-19; pictures of the abandoned South Shelter are attached as pages 20-22. Thank you to Council President Wesson, Jordan Beroukhim, and Deron Williams for pursuing this life-saving project.

**If we are able to get the abandoned South Animal Shelter re-opened with a rescue group or groups, it will literally save the lives of hundreds of animals each year.**

5. Speaking of saving animals:

a. Axel, a 10 year old Staffordshire/Mastiff mix, was adopted this month. Pictures of Axel are attached as pages 23-25. Axel had been at the Shelter for almost a year, since November 2015. He was an older dog with some medical issues. Nevertheless, he was adopted even after all that time. And the person who adopted him is very happy with him. This is another case of never giving up on these wonderful dogs, and why we need to do everything to make sure that none of these animals are killed.

b. Then there is Oscar the WonderDog. Oscar helped to save the lives of 7 young kittens. The story is on our website at:

[http://tarzananc.org/committees.php?committee\\_id=25](http://tarzananc.org/committees.php?committee_id=25), also attached as pages 1-2.

Oscar has been at the Shelter for over a year now, since July 22, 2015. As it turned out, there was a reason he has been at the Shelter all this time, so he could help save the lives of these 7 kittens. But now it's Oscar's time. This hero deserves a loving home. Let's go all out to get Oscar the home he deserves.

**Oscar, A1526691. 8 year old neutered male, black and white Staffordshire Bull Terrier.**

c. Nikko, the Tarzana Great Dane/Pitbull mix, and Sparky, the Tarzana Cat, have been adopted. See page 27, attached.



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### THE ADVENTURES OF OSCAR THE WONDERDOG -- SAGA OF THE LUCKY 7



Do dogs have a special sense for other animals who need help? And are dogs able to communicate this to their human companions?

On August 4th, seven 6 week old kittens were abandoned at a remote corner of the back parking lot of the West Valley Animal Shelter. The kittens were left in a filthy cat carrier, covered by a shirt. It was well over 90 degrees that day. The kittens certainly wouldn't have lasted long under those conditions. Why would anyone dump the kittens there, rather than simply bringing them into the Shelter?

Luckily, Volunteer Cathy was walking Oscar, an 8 year old Staffordshire Bull Terrier, on that day. Because it was so hot, Cathy took Oscar into the back exercise yard at the Shelter, rather than taking him for a walk around the block. Oscar seemed to sense that something wasn't right. Cathy picked up on Oscar's concern, and soon focused her attention on the cat carrier that was behind a fence, all the way across the parking lot. There were no sounds coming from the carrier, and it was many yards away, but for some reason Oscar and Cathy's attention was drawn to it. They went to investigate, and to their surprise, found 7 kittens in the carrier, with no food or water. Cathy initially thought they were dead because the smell was so bad. The kittens were covered in feces and had fleas. When they moved, she realized they were alive, but absolutely starving and thirsty.

After a medical check-up, the kittens were immediately given water and food, and bathed. They were angels during their baths, despite being scared; a couple cried once. After they were all fed and cleaned, they quickly fell asleep.

The kittens became known as THE LUCKY 7, because of their miraculous discovery. All of the kittens have been temporarily fostered. But in a few weeks they will be available for adoption.

And what about Oscar, who was so instrumental in saving the lives of these seven kittens? He just takes it in stride. It's just another day in the life of OSCAR THE WONDERDOG. He simply wants a permanent home, so he can give a family the same kind of caring and love. Oscar has been at the Shelter for over a year now, since July 22, 2015. As it turned out, there was a reason he was at the Shelter all this time, so he could help save the lives of these 7 kittens. But now it's Oscar's time. This hero deserves a loving home. Let's go all out to get Oscar the home he deserves.

Oscar, A1526691. 8 year old neutered male, black and white Staffordshire Bull Terrier.

Posted by: Jeffrey Mausner, Chair, Tarzana Neighborhood Council Animal Welfare Committee

### **SAVE A DOG'S LIFE OVER THE 4TH OF JULY HOLIDAY**

Dogs are very fearful of fireworks. Please make sure that your dog is secure during the 4th of July period, as dogs often run away when they hear loud noises like fireworks. Please check your yard to make sure there is no way for your dog to get away. And on the evening of the 4th, if you are out at a fireworks display, it is best to keep your dog in the house so there is no chance of it running away. The same is true of cats and other animals.

Los Angeles City Animal Shelters receive a large temporary influx of dogs (and to a lesser extent cats) over the 4th of July period. This influx starts in late June, when people start setting off fireworks. Citizens who find run-away dogs, as well as City Animal Control Officers who catch them, bring them into the Shelters to care for them. Most of these animals are redeemed by their owners within several weeks. But while they are at the Shelter, they occupy a kennel, which can cause overcrowding at the Shelters. In the past, if the Shelter became overcrowded, dogs would be killed to make room for these new dogs coming in.

We are implementing a "Temporary Animal Foster Parent Program" at the West Valley Shelter, to prevent the killing of any healthy adoptable dogs over the 4th of July period for lack of space. Members of the public will be able to foster a dog (or cat) in their homes for several weeks during the 4th of July period if kennel space is needed.

If you are interested in becoming a Temporary Animal Foster Parent Volunteer, please fill out the application which can be found at: <http://tarzananc.org/docs/1307-1082.pdf>. Send your completed application, along with a copy of your driver's license, to [Sergio.Rios@lacity.org](mailto:Sergio.Rios@lacity.org). If your application is approved by the Los Angeles Animal Services Department, you will be placed on a list and will receive an email from the Shelter if there is a need for temporary fosters. If you foster a dog and it ends up that you want to keep the dog permanently, you can go through the adoption process. Otherwise, the dog will be returned to the Shelter.

If you have any questions, you can contact the Tarzana Neighborhood Council Animal Welfare Committee at: [Jeff@Mausnerlaw.com](mailto:Jeff@Mausnerlaw.com) or use the contact form at: [http://tarzananc.org/contact.php?admin\\_login\\_id=78](http://tarzananc.org/contact.php?admin_login_id=78)

Posted by: Jeffrey Mausner, Chair, Tarzana Neighborhood Council Animal Welfare Committee

### **THE RESCUE OF JAXZ**

**By Jeffrey Mausner, Chairperson, Tarzana Neighborhood Council Animal Welfare Committee (Deanna Dylan Scott, Co-Chair).**

Growing up in an animal shelter is a fate confronting more and more dogs. There are just too many unwanted dogs in Los Angeles, because of failure of owners to spay and neuter their pets, and unlicensed breeders. The Los Angeles City Shelters are doing the best they can to keep dogs alive for as long as possible in the hope that they will be adopted or rescued, before they have to be euthanized. But with not enough people to adopt, and the resulting overcrowding in the shelters, these dogs are constrained in small kennels, surrounded by the constant barking of the dozens of other abandoned and stray dogs. This was the case for Jaxz, a Labrador/American Staffordshire mix.



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P # _____
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1 on 1 Yes No
Emp. # _____
Center _____

**CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL SERVICES  
FOSTER PARENT VOLUNTEER**

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Date \_\_\_\_\_

**CONTACT INFORMATION:**

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name
Address	City	State
		Zip Code
( ) _____ (circle) Home Work Cell Pager	( ) _____ (circle) Home Work Cell Pager	( ) _____ (circle) Home Work Cell Page
E-Mail Address (Required field) _____		

Do you? Own Rent/Lease      Residence Type: House Condo Apartment Mobile Home

If you live in an apartment or other leased residence, you hereby represent that your lease in no way prohibits your ability to

Foster animals in your home: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

**HOME INFORMATION:**

Do all household members agree to your fostering animals?      YES      NO

Do you have any pets of your own?      YES      NO

If you have cat (s), has it tested negative for Feline Leukemia and FIV?      YES      NO

List all animals that reside in your home:

Name	Breed	Age	Sex	Altered	Current on all vaccinations?
1. _____					
2. _____					
3. _____					
4. _____					
5. _____					



City of Los Angeles  
Department of Animal Services

**VOLUNTEER FOSTER PARENT AGREEMENT**

**As a Volunteer Foster Parent (VFP) for the Los Angeles City Department of Animal Services (LAAS) you are required to abide by the terms of the Volunteer Foster Parent Agreement.**

**If accepted as a Volunteer Foster Program Volunteer and in consideration of becoming such, my initials and signature below indicate that I understand and agree to the following.**

- \_\_\_\_\_ **All potential (VFP) must attend a Bottle Baby Foster training/orientation, if applicable.**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Once a fostered animal is weaned (8-10 weeks) it must be returned by the VFP to the animal care center and re-booked into the system.**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Each and every adoption of a fostered animal must be processed at one of our care centers and is subject to the guidelines for the Foster Program.**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Foster Parent Volunteers are required to sign in and out in the Log Book each time they visit a center with an approximately number of hours caring for the foster animals.**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Foster Parents agree to provide time, proper and sufficient food and water, shelter, kind treatment, and proper veterinary medical care (provided by the Animal Care Center) for the animal(s) in my care, at all times.**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **LAAS makes no guarantees, whatsoever, as to the adoption, health, temperament, mental disposition, and training of the animals.**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **LAAS will be allowed to reasonably inspect the premises in which the animal(s) will be/are maintained, from time to time, for the purpose of determining the suitability of those premises for the care and maintenance of the animal(s).**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **If I fail to abide by the terms of this Agreement or otherwise fail to satisfy LAAS' requirements, as determined by LAAS at its sole discretion, I will be terminated from the LAAS Foster Program and all LAAS animals will be returned to a LAAS care center immediately.**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Foster animals are only temporarily in my care, remain the property of the LAAS and are subject to relinquishment at any time. Failure to return a foster will result in termination, a "do not adopt" status and possible legal action.**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **I agree that I will not relinquish custody of the foster animal(s) to anyone except LAAS.**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **LAAS requires that the foster(s) remain in my care the entire time they are being fostered. If I cannot continue to care for the foster animal(s) for any reason, even temporarily, I shall return the animal(s) to one of the LAAS care centers. The animal(s) will not necessarily be returned to me.**

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree to not place the foster animal(s) in a dangerous situation (i.e., riding in an open pickup truck or left unattended in a car). Kittens must be kept indoors or in a crate while being transported. Puppies will be secured in a crate, kennel run, or enclosed fenced area. Dog and cats must be kept inside/indoors. Cats cannot roam free.

\_\_\_\_\_ As with all animals, LAAS does its best to find each foster animal a good home; however, LAAS is not always successful and cannot guarantee all fostered animals will be adopted.

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree to contact an LAAS staff member immediately and to follow their instructions, if the foster animal needs medical care of any kind, including bringing the animal into the animal care center if so directed and leaving it in LAAS custody, or administering medications if provided. LAAS will make the decision on the final outcome of any sick animal, which may include euthanasia.

\_\_\_\_\_ Private veterinary cost incurred by a volunteer foster parent, for foster animal(s), will not be reimbursed by LAAS. Other expenses such as food, toys, or litter will not be reimbursed. Foster Parents will be supplied sufficient formula and milk for unweaned kittens and puppies. An initial supply is provided when the babies are picked up and an additional supply is available upon request.

\_\_\_\_\_ If a foster animal dies in the care of the foster parent, the body must be returned to the Center for disposal and its death noted in our system.

**All of the information I have provided on this application is, to the best of my knowledge, true and complete. I agree and understand that falsifying information on this agreement or non-compliance with any of the terms and conditions mentioned above, at any time during the volunteer process, may disqualify my being a Foster Program Volunteer.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Foster Parent-Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature, Parent/Guardian if volunteer is between 16 and 17)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Foster Parent-Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature, Parent/Guardian if volunteer is between 16 and 17)

**CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL SERVICES**

**IDEMNITY WAIVER,  
RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK**

I hereby agree that I will assume full responsibility for personal injury, property damage suffered and/or death sustained as a result of, or in connection with, my participation as a volunteer with the Los Angeles Animal Services (LAAS).

I agree, for purposes of this agreement, to release all employees, agents and/or volunteers collectively from and against all liability, claims, demands, damages to my person or property suffered and/or sustained as a direct and/or indirect result of my participation as a volunteer.

In connection with my participation as a volunteer, I further agree that I will not make any claim against, sue, attach the property of, and/or prosecute the LAAS for any personal injury, property damage, death, and/or whatever the cause of the event that gave rise to a claim.

I further understand that the behavior of domestic animals is unpredictable and that domestic animals are capable of spreading disease, inflicting serious personal injury, causing extensive property damage, and/or causing death. Knowing the risk of handling domestic animals, nevertheless, I hereby agree to ASSUME THOSE RISKS and to release indemnity and hold harmless LAAS, who might otherwise be liable to me (or my heirs or assigns), for damages.

It is understood and agreed that this Indemnity Waiver/Release of Liability and Assumption of Risk form is intended to be binding on my heirs, distributes, guardians, legal representatives, and/ or assigns.

**I HAVE READ THIS AGREEMENT CAREFULLY AND FULLY. I AM AWARE THAT THIS IS AN INDEMNITY WAIVER/RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK FORM AND IS A BINDING CONTRACT BETWEEN LAAS AND MYSELF. I SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL.**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Volunteer Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent and/or Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Jeffrey Mausner

**From:** Councilmember Bob Blumenfield <councilmember.blumenfield@lacity.org>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 17, 2016 5:52 PM  
**To:** TNC@empowerla.org  
**Subject:** The Blumenfield Buzz- June 2016



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## The Blumenfield Buzz- June 2016

### *Reseda Art Walk*



On the evening of June 4th, thousands of people came out to the first Reseda Rising Art Walk. This event, organized by the 11:11 Art Collective, was part of Councilmember Blumenfield's "Reseda Rising," a multi front initiative to reinvest in the community and find ways to return Reseda to its former glory as a center for entertainment and small business.





## *Tarzana Property Owners Association Hosts Councilmember Blumenfield*



Councilmember Blumenfield met with the Tarzana Property Association and delivered an update on the state of the district. He focused on the newly passed budget, homelessness, crime and the steps the city is taking to ensure smarter and more efficient public safety.

## *Save a Dog's Life Over the 4th of July Holiday*

The 4th of July celebrations are just around the corner. While everyone enjoys the festivities it is important to know that dogs and other animals are very fearful of fireworks and may panic from the loud booms. Across the city, Animal Shelters receive a large increase of animals around Independence Day, because of disturbances such as fireworks. Though most of these animals are reunited with their owners within several weeks, overcrowding in shelters, even temporarily, may cause animals to be put down simply and sadly due to lack of space.

This is why the West Valley Animal Shelter has implemented a “Temporary Animal Foster Parent Program” over the 4th of July period. The goal is to prevent the killing of healthy adoptable dogs. People will be able to foster a pet if kennel space is needed and help ensure that we keep these animals alive.

To become one of those Good Samaritans please contact Jeffrey Mausner, Chair of the Animal Welfare Committee of the Tarzana Neighborhood Council, at [Jeff@Mausnerlaw.com](mailto:Jeff@Mausnerlaw.com).

## *VICA's “After Dark” Series Hosts Blumenfield*

Councilmember Bob Blumenfield addressed VICA members as a part of their ‘After Dark’ speaking series. Blumenfield discussed a variety of priorities including technology infrastructure, job growth and development, and how to make Los Angeles, specifically the West Valley, even more of an economic engine.

Jeffrey Mausner

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**Subject:** FW: Additional CPRA Information

**From:** Jeffrey Mausner [mailto:jeff@mausnerlaw.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 18, 2016 2:10 PM  
**To:** 'Richard Coulson' <richard.coulson@lacity.org>  
**Cc:** 'Lydia Marquez' <lydia.marquez@lacity.org>; 'Angela Sherick' <angela.sherick@lacity.org>  
**Subject:** RE: Additional CPRA Information

Hi Richard. Please see my email below. Have you heard anything about when the air conditioned trucks are going to be delivered? Are you doing what can be done to expedite this? It's currently 104 degrees out here in the Valley. Best regards, Jeff

Jeffrey Mausner  
Chairman, Tarzana Neighborhood Council Animal Welfare Committee  
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**From:** Jeffrey Mausner [mailto:jeff@mausnerlaw.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 08, 2016 4:57 PM  
**To:** 'Richard Coulson' <richard.coulson@lacity.org>  
**Cc:** 'Lydia Marquez' <lydia.marquez@lacity.org>; 'Angela Sherick' <angela.sherick@lacity.org>  
**Subject:** RE: Additional CPRA Information

Hi Richard. Have you heard anything about when the air conditioned trucks are going to be delivered? It is still very hot, especially out here in the Valley, and animals will be suffering in trucks without air conditioning. Thanks. Best regards, Jeff

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**From:** Jeffrey Mausner [mailto:jeff@mausnerlaw.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 22, 2016 3:44 PM  
**To:** 'Richard Coulson' <richard.coulson@lacity.org>  
**Cc:** 'Lydia Marquez' <lydia.marquez@lacity.org>; 'Angela Sherick' <angela.sherick@lacity.org>  
**Subject:** RE: Additional CPRA Information

Hi Richard. Thank you for emailing this. I mailed the check for the documents today (copy attached), so you should get it on Monday. I assume that you got the check for the previous set of documents; if not, please let me know.

As we discussed yesterday, please check on when these vehicles with the air conditioned compartments for the animals will be delivered, and please try to get the manufacturer and up-fitter to complete them as soon as possible. It was 102 degrees in the Valley yesterday, and it is now 106 degrees. You can imagine what it is like for a dog or cat in the back of one of the vehicles without air conditioning on a day like today. The animal is already frightened and confused, and to be put into a scorchingly hot environment can only make matters worse. If you hear anything about when the vehicles will be delivered, please let me know. Anything you can do to expedite delivery will be greatly appreciated by the dogs and cats of our city, as well as all the people who care about animals.

Have a nice weekend. Best regards, Jeff

**From:** Richard Coulson [<mailto:richard.coulson@lacity.org>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 21, 2016 4:45 PM  
**To:** [jeff@mausnerlaw.com](mailto:jeff@mausnerlaw.com)  
**Cc:** Lydia Marquez <[lydia.marquez@lacity.org](mailto:lydia.marquez@lacity.org)>; Angela Sherick <[angela.sherick@lacity.org](mailto:angela.sherick@lacity.org)>  
**Subject:** Additional CPRA Information

Mr. Mausner

In follow up to our phone conversation, attached is the latest specification for the Animal Collection vehicles that are on order (see page 17, Option G for air conditioning system information).

As with the other requested documents, there is a duplication cost in the amount of \$1.80 for the attached 18 pages. Please make your check payable to the City of Los Angeles and mail it to the address listed below.

Department of General Services  
Attn: Lydia Marquez  
111 E. 1st Street, Room 701  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Regards,

Richard Coulson  
Director of Fleet Services  
City of Los Angeles  
General Services Department  
Office (323) 526-9200  
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Area Superintendent	(print and sign)
Principal Supervisor	(print and sign)
Auto Engineer	(print and sign)
Repair Superintendent	(print and sign)

CITY OF LOS ANGELES

October 2, 2015/w/rmp  
PR. No. 0003078394

Spec. No. 1301-001D-11  
Ref. No. 1301-001D (AR)

SPECIFICATION

TRUCK, 4X2, ANIMAL COLLECTION

NOTICE:

Complete all sections of specification by insertion of "As Specified" or state deviations and exceptions where relevant.

<p><u>GVWR:</u> 10,000 pounds (minimum) and 10,500 pounds (maximum).</p>	
<p><u>WHEELBASE:</u> 133 inches (minimum) and 137 inches (maximum)</p>	
<p><u>CAB/AXLE:</u> 55 inches (minimum) and 57 inches (maximum).</p>	
<p><u>ENGINE:</u> Gasoline, 8-Cylinder, 366 CID/6.0 Liter (minimum).  316 (minimum) net SAE J-1349 horsepower at 4179 RPM. 380 (minimum) net SAE J-1349 torque at 4200 RPM.  <u>Emissions:</u> As required by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD) rule 1191, all vehicles bid shall be LEV compliant as defined by the California Air Resources Board (C.A.R.B.). Bid vehicles that are not a minimum of LEV certified <b>shall be excluded</b> from award.  Shall have all standard and specified components.</p>	
<p><u>COOLING:</u> Heaviest increased capacity system available for size of truck offered including heavy duty fan.</p>	

<p><b><u>OPTION F:</u></b></p> <p><b><u>BODY HVAC SYSTEM (LITHIUM BATTERY POWERED):</u></b></p> <p>Shall install a standalone HVAC system that shall be independent of the chassis climate control. The system shall be 15,000 B.T.U.'s (minimum) capable of providing air conditioning and heat to each animal compartment. The system shall be powered by a high reserve capacity lithium battery(s) and charged by the chassis charging system. Lithium battery shall provide climate control while engine off for (4) hours minimum.</p> <p>A digital display controller shall be dash mounted in clear unobstructed view of the operator and work in conjunction with the probes installed in the body. The probes shall provide accurate temperature readings of all animal compartments. The controller shall accurately indicate the temperature of each compartment when occupied by an animal.</p>	
<p><b><u>OPTION G:</u></b></p> <p><b><u>BODY HVAC SYSTEM:</u></b></p> <p>Shall install a "RED DOT" HVAC system specifically designed for animal control bodies. System shall be 15,000 B.T.U.'s (minimum) capable of climate control for a body interior temperature of 60 degrees to every animal housed compartment.</p> <p>Deep cycle battery power shall be isolated from chassis power to run with engine off with (2) hours minimum run time and provide charging with engine on.</p> <p>A digital display controller shall be dash mounted in clear unobstructed view of the operator and work in conjunction with the probes installed in the body. The probes shall provide accurate temperature readings of all animal compartments. The controller shall accurately indicate the temperature of each compartment when occupied by an animal.</p>	
<p><b><u>OPTION H:</u></b></p> <p><b><u>AIR HORN:</u></b></p> <p>A 12 volt Class 7 truck air horn shall be installed with 12 volt compressor to actuate the horn. An illuminated switch on the dash with permanent placard shall be provided. Exact location shall be determined at preproduction meeting.</p>	

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September 20, 2016

Via E-mail: [j.mausner@tarzananc.org](mailto:j.mausner@tarzananc.org)

Jeffrey Mausner, Chairman  
Animal Welfare Committee  
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P.O. Box 571016  
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**RESPONSE TO CALIFORNIA PUBLIC RECORDS ACT REQUEST**

Attached you will find the information requested in your follow-up e-mail dated September 18, 2016 requesting the delivery status of Animal Services trucks.

Please remit the duplication cost in the amount of \$.10 for 1 page payable to the City of Los Angeles to the address listed below.

Department of General Services  
Attn: Lydia Marquez  
111 E. 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Room 701  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Should you have additional questions or concerns, you may contact Assistant General Manager Angela Sherick-Bright via e-mail, [Angela.Sherick@lacity.org](mailto:Angela.Sherick@lacity.org) or at (213) 928-9575.

  
Tony M. Royster  
General Manager

Attachment



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From: **Ray Perez** <[raymond.perez@lacity.org](mailto:raymond.perez@lacity.org)>

Date: Thu, Aug 25, 2016 at 12:23 PM

Subject: Fwd: (12) Additional Animal Trucks

To: mark salazar <[mark.salazar@lacity.org](mailto:mark.salazar@lacity.org)>

Cc: Richard Coulson <[richard.coulson@lacity.org](mailto:richard.coulson@lacity.org)>, Daniel Trask <[daniel.trask@lacity.org](mailto:daniel.trask@lacity.org)>

Mark,

Delivery status of all (15) animal collection trucks on order.

The first unit will be ready for Animal Services to pick up at Tech Services on October 21st, 2016.

Remaining trucks to be delivered at the rate of 1 approximately every 2 weeks, with the last truck ready for Animal Services to pick up at Tech Services on May 5th, 2017.

Thanks,  
Ray

Thanks,

Ray Perez  
City of Los Angeles  
Fleet Technical Services  
323 526-9221

Jeffrey Mausner

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**Subject:** FW: Use of the Abandoned South Los Angeles Animal Shelter by Rescue Organizations

**From:** Jordan Beroukhim [mailto:jordan.beroukhim@lacity.org]

**Sent:** Thursday, September 15, 2016 12:13 PM

**To:** Jeffrey Mausner <jeff@mausnerlaw.com>

**Cc:** Paul Darrigo <fedguy2@pacbell.net>; Svetlana Pravina <Svetlana.Pravina@lacity.org>; Leonard Shaffer <l.shaffer@tarzananc.org>; Deron Williams <deron.williams@lacity.org>

**Subject:** Re: Use of the Abandoned South Los Angeles Animal Shelter by Rescue Organizations

Hi Jeff,

We will be working with General Services to discuss the potential for an RFQ/RFP here

We will need some time on our end.

Thank you

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*Jordan Beroukhim*  
*Planning & Land Use Deputy*  
*Council President Herb Wesson's Office*  
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On Fri, Sep 9, 2016 at 2:33 PM, Jeffrey Mausner <[jeff@mausnerlaw.com](mailto:jeff@mausnerlaw.com)> wrote:

Hi Deron and Jordan. I hope you are doing well. Has there been any progress regarding the abandoned South Los Angeles Animal Shelter? Were you able to speak with anyone at General Services about the feasibility of this project? Best regards, Jeff

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**From:** Paul Darrigo [mailto:[fedguy2@pacbell.net](mailto:fedguy2@pacbell.net)]

**Sent:** Friday, September 02, 2016 1:51 PM

**To:** Jordan Beroukhim <[jordan.beroukhim@lacity.org](mailto:jordan.beroukhim@lacity.org)>; Jeffrey Mausner <[jeff@mausnerlaw.com](mailto:jeff@mausnerlaw.com)>

**Cc:** Svetlana Pravina <[Svetlana.Pravina@lacity.org](mailto:Svetlana.Pravina@lacity.org)>; Leonard Shaffer <[l.shaffer@tarzananc.org](mailto:l.shaffer@tarzananc.org)>; Deron Williams <[deron.williams@lacity.org](mailto:deron.williams@lacity.org)>

**Subject:** Best Friends Contract attached Re: Use of the Abandoned South Los Angeles Animal Shelter by Rescue Organizations

Hi Deron and Jordan,

Great meeting yesterday... We appreciate your openness with us to work together.

Please find attached the Best Friends Contract as discussed. It's a good reference point... we may suggest some changes to it. There is a RFI that went out for this that we should look at again too.

Also attached is the Mission Hills expenses from the CAO.

Next week, I will continue to reach out to bigger rescue organizations to generate interest in the bid contract.

If you can arrange for a walk through, that would be great.

Thanks

Paul

CHULA - Citizens for a Humane Los Angeles  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/773416409436730/>  
[323-244-8020](tel:323-244-8020)

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**From:** Jordan Beroukhim <[jordan.beroukhim@lacity.org](mailto:jordan.beroukhim@lacity.org)>  
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Deron Williams <[deron.williams@lacity.org](mailto:deron.williams@lacity.org)>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 29, 2016 5:41 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Use of the Abandoned South Los Angeles Animal Shelter by Rescue Organizations

Hello,

We are confirmed for this Thursday, September 1 at 10:30am to meet in our District Office located at 1819 S Western Ave Los Angeles CA 90006. Parking lot is accessed via Manhattan Pl which is 1 block west of Western Ave

Thank you

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*Jordan Beroukhim*

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On Thu, Aug 25, 2016 at 2:22 PM, Jeffrey Mausner <[jeff@mausnerlaw.com](mailto:jeff@mausnerlaw.com)> wrote:

To Jordan Beroukhim  
Planning Deputy  
Office of City Council President Herb Wesson  
[jordan.beroukhim@lacity.org](mailto:jordan.beroukhim@lacity.org)

Hi Jordan. My name is Jeffrey Mausner. I'm a Board Member of the Tarzana Neighborhood Council (TNC), and Chair of the TNC Animal Welfare Committee.

At a recent meeting of the TNC Animal Welfare Committee, one of the attendees raised the possibility of rescue organizations taking over an abandoned former City animal shelter. It is the former South Los Angeles Shelter, located at 3612 West 11th Ave (or 3612 11th Ave). It says on the LA Animal Services website that this shelter was damaged in the Northridge earthquake: <http://www.laanimalservices.com/shelters/south-los-angeles/>, see attachment 1. However, I have spoken with Animal Services employees who worked in that building well after the Northridge Earthquake (1994), so it is not clear whether it was closed because of earthquake damage or for other reasons.

In any case, the building has been closed for some time. It appears that the facility is just sitting there, closed, with a notice of closure posted. (Please go to [www.bing.com/maps](http://www.bing.com/maps) and input the address: 3612 West 11th Ave, Los Angeles CA; click on Birds Eye view, and you can see the street view. Same with Google maps; and please see attachment number 2.) Some pictures of the facility are attached as attachments number 3-6.

It seemed like a good idea to me to see if something can be done with this facility, to help alleviate overcrowding at the City Animal Shelters. (The idea for this at the Animal Welfare Committee meeting came from Paul Darrigo, who is an actor and animal welfare activist.) My understanding is that this facility can hold hundreds of dogs and cats. It seems like a terrible waste for it just to be sitting there abandoned for years, when there are times when dogs and cats are killed because of lack of space in the City Shelters.

I spoke with Svetlana Pravina, who is Councilman Blumenfield's liaison with the Tarzana Neighborhood Council, and who has been involved in matters involving animal welfare. She suggested that I contact you, since the building is located in Councilman Wesson's district.

I don't know whether a project like this would be doable. I don't know if there are rescues that would be able to take on a project of this magnitude. Best Friends Animal Society took over what was built as a City Shelter in Mission Hills when Los Angeles Animal Services wasn't going to be able to run the facility. I don't know whether Best Friends, or other rescue

organizations, would be able to do the same with the old South Shelter. But I think it is worth looking into the possibility of this, because of the large numbers of dogs and cats who could be saved if something like this happened. My guess is that the first step would be to see if General Services thinks the building is usable and if they would be amenable to rescue organizations using the building to house animals.

Please let me know if you and Councilman Wesson are interested in exploring the possibilities here. I would be happy to help in any way I can, and I'm sure that hundreds of people who are involved in animal welfare in Los Angeles would as well. This could greatly contribute to the goal of making Los Angeles a No Kill city by 2017. Please see <http://nkla.org/about> .

I look forward to hearing back from you.

Sincerely, Jeff Mausner

Jeffrey Mausner

Chair, Tarzana Neighborhood Council Animal Welfare Committee

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# CLOSED:

The shelter has moved four miles south,  
off Western Avenue, to:

1850 West 60<sup>th</sup> Street  
Los Angeles 90047

Abandoning animals is inhumane, against the law,  
and violators will be prosecuted.

CA PENAL CODE 597s

For more information on adoptions, licensing, spay/neuter services,  
or stray animals,  
contact:

(889) 452-7381

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# CERRADO:

El refugio ha movido cuatro millas al sur,  
frente a Western Avenue, a:



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CLOSED:  
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30 MINUTE  
PARKING  
8a - 4p



Jeffrey Mausner

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**From:** Jeffrey Mausner <jeff@mausnerlaw.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 05, 2016 7:43 AM  
**To:** 'Sergio Rios'; Shawn Colon (shawn.colon@lacity.org)  
**Subject:** Axel A1032853 to be Adopted on Tuesday  
**Attachments:** IMG\_8502.JPG; IMG\_8507.JPG

Hi Sergio and Shawn. I want to let you know that someone will be coming in tomorrow (Tuesday September 6) to adopt Axel, A1032853. Best regards, Jeff

Jeffrey N. Mausner  
Cell phone: (310) 617-8100  
e-mail: [jeff@mausnerlaw.com](mailto:jeff@mausnerlaw.com)

# AVAILABLE

## City of Los Angeles Department of Animal Services Kennel Impound Card for WEST VALLEY

Record No: K15-112266

Available for Adoption or Foster: 12/03/2015

Animal ID: A1032853

Kennel No: W DM11

Sex: ~~MALE~~ **N**

DOB: 05/21/2006

Breed: STAFFORDSHIRE / MASTIFF

Color: GRAY & WHITE

Intake Date: 11/27/2015

Intake Type: OWNER SUR OTC

Hold? NO



My Name is AXEL

Supervisor Approval Required  Rescue Only  
 Supervisor Hold - See Memo

Scan by ID#: **(+) 61** Picture by ID#: **161**



### Vaccinations

DHLPP

RABIES

FVCRP

Bordetella **(IN)** SQ

Deworming

Intake Exam

Weight **47** lbs (by **563**)

First Rights

Interested Party

Medical

Behavior

*LA Approved*

*NO  
felanest*

Hi. This is Jeff. I'm here at the Shelter now. When you come in to adopt Axel, please call me on my cell phone (310-617-8100) or find me in the back yard, and I will help you with the adoption.

**W DM11**



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