

**St. Petersburg City Council  
Meeting of November 5, 2020**

**Consent Agenda**

**TO:** The Honorable Ed Montanari, Chair, and Members of City Council

**SUBJECT:** Authorizing the Mayor or his Designee to accept a Florida Department of Transportation FY 21 Stormwater Outreach and Education Funding grant in the amount of \$7,300 for the City's St. Pete PAWS initiative; approving a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$7,300 from the increase in the unappropriated balance of the General Fund resulting from these grant revenues, to the Community Services Department, Administration Division (083-1081), PUP Champions (TBD); authorizing the Mayor or his designee to execute all documents necessary to effectuate the grant; and providing an effective date.

**BACKGROUND:** Mayor Rick Kriseman proclaimed St. Petersburg a pet-friendly city in June 2018 along with various animal welfare organizations and local businesses and launched the St. Pete PAWS Initiative. The effort is modeled after the Mars Better Cities for Pets movement focused on happy, healthy pets and responsible pet ownership.

The St. Pete PAWS Collective is comprised of five (5) animal welfare organizations and nearly 30 businesses that work in four areas: Businesses, Housing, Health, and Parks. As a certified Better Cities for Pets community, a primary focus is on education, awareness and impacts on the health and safety of pets, people and surroundings.

The FDOT Stormwater Outreach and Education grant will provide the opportunity for the St. Pete PAWS Collective to inform the public, targeting pet owners, about benefits of proper pet waste disposal. In particular, how responsible pet owners who properly dispose of pet waste enhances water quality and the environment can be recognized as PUP (Picking Up Poo) Champions. The grant will be used for printing of Pooches for the Planet educational material, infographic for the lifecycle of pet waste, and "swag bag" materials for recognized PUP Champions.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Support of the attached resolution authorizing the Mayor or his Designee to accept a Florida Department of Transportation FY 21 Stormwater Outreach and Education Funding grant in the amount of \$7,300 for the City's St. Pete PAWS initiative; approving a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$7,300 from the increase in the unappropriated balance of the General Fund resulting from these grant revenues, to the Community Services Department, Administration Division (083-1081), PUP Champions (TBD); authorizing the Mayor or his designee to execute all documents necessary to effectuate the grant; and providing an effective date.

**COST/FUNDING/ASSESSMENT INFORMATION:** Revenues of \$7,300 are to be received from the Florida Department of Transportation in support of the St. Pete PAWS initiative and deposited into the General Fund (0001). A supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$7,300 from the increase in the unappropriated balance of the General Fund (0001), resulting

from these additional revenues, to the Community Services Department, Administration Division (083-1081), PUP Champions (TBD) is required.

APPROVALS:

Administration: Robert Gerdes

Budget and Management: myer

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ACCEPT A FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FY 21 STORMWATER OUTREACH AND EDUCATION FUNDING GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,300 FOR THE CITY'S ST. PETE PAWS INITIATIVE; APPROVING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,300 FROM THE INCREASE IN THE UNAPPROPRIATED BALANCE OF THE GENERAL FUND RESULTING FROM THESE GRANT REVENUES, TO THE COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT, ADMINISTRATION DIVISION (083-1081), PUP CHAMPIONS (TBD); AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE GRANT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, The City of St. Petersburg ("City") wants to lead as a pet friendly city that protects, supports and welcomes pets and the people who love them; and

WHEREAS, in June 2018 Mayor Rick Kriseman proclaimed St. Petersburg a pet-friendly city and launched the St. Pete PAWS Initiative to make the City a better place for pets and their owners; and

WHEREAS, the City applied for a grant from the Florida Department of Transportation ("FDOT") to support the St. Pete PAWS Initiative; and

WHEREAS, FDOT would like to award the City a grant in the amount of \$7,300 for the St. Pete PAWS initiative, PUP Champions program; and

WHEREAS, a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$7,300 from the increase in the unappropriated balance of the General Fund (0001), resulting from these grant revenues, to the Community Services Department, Administration Division (083-1081), PUP Champions (TBD) is required.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of St. Petersburg, Florida, that the Mayor or his designee is authorized to accept a Florida Department of Transportation FY 21 Stormwater Outreach and Education Funding grant in the amount of \$7,300 for the City's St. Pete PAWS Initiative.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that there is hereby approved from the increase in the unappropriated balance of the General Fund (0001), resulting from these grant revenues, the following supplemental appropriation for FY21:

General Fund (0001)

Community Services Department, Administration Division (083-1081),  
PUP Champions (TBD) \$7,300

and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor or his designee is authorized to execute all documents necessary to effectuate the grant.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Approvals:

Legal: /s/ Devon E. Haggitt

Budget: E Makofske