

June 4, 2024

Subject: RFI 2419-I: Animal Shelter Facility & Operations Enhancements Addendum 1

Gentlemen/Ladies:

Below, please find responses to questions, clarification, or additional information for the above referenced Request for Information when preparing your response.

1. How many live animal intakes by species did the Fayette County Animal Shelter impound in 2023?

The shelter accepted 539 dogs and 275 cats in 2023.

- 2. Can we please get a copy of the new shelter's blueprints and floor plans? Please refer to Attachment 1 for the blueprints and floor plans.
- **3.** Can we get a tour of the new shelter? Please contact Natasha Duggan in the Purchasing Department at 770-305-5150 to set up a tour.
- 4. What type of cooling system(s) does the new shelter have in each of the animal holding areas by species? What type of plumbing system(s)?

HVAC system is a split system heat pump 100% fresh air with dehumidification unit for the main building. There is a separate split AC unit specifically for the electrical and server room.

The plumbing for the facility is on direct feed and is not a well system. The sanitation / sewer is tied into WASA direct from the facility. Please refer to Attachment 1, blueprints, and plans for further details.

5. Is the County going to hire an outside team to come in and assist in reevaluating the new shelter?

The purpose of the RFI is to gather information so we can determine the best course of action. Partnering with an outside team to reevaluate the shelter is a possibility, of course. At this time, however, we can only say that our goal in issuing the RFI is to use feedback as a tool to formulate a solid plan of action. If you determine that an outside team would lead to the best outcome, please let us know that.

6. We saw in the RFI that you also want an operational evaluation. These can be very extensive including areas such as software system usage, statistics, SOPs, forms, animal intake, office, veterinary care, spay/neuter, behavior, enrichment, feeding, cleaning, customer service, volunteers, trap/neuter/return, adoptions, foster, rescue, social media, grant writing, proactive programs, etc. Can you describe how extensive of an operational evaluation you would like?

Our goal is to, through this RFI, obtain enough information to decide how extensive of an operational evaluation is appropriate for our situation and our community. If you decide to respond to the RFI, it would be helpful if you give us

an indication of a "basic" operational evaluation and what that would provide, then maybe a more extensive evaluation and the outcome we could expect from that. We seek information that we can use to help formulate an initiative.

Received by (Name): ______ Company_____ Company_____

Note: If this addendum is not returned to the Fayette County Purchasing Department or if it is returned not signed, responding individuals, companies or other organizations will still be responsible for the requirements of this addendum and the specifications or changes herein.

The opening date for this RFI has not changed. **The opening time and date are 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, Jun 11, 2024.** Responses must be received by the Purchasing Department at the address above, Suite 204, at or before the opening date and time.

The deadline for inquiries has passed, so the Purchasing Department will not be able to accept any additional questions after this time.

If you have questions, please contact Natasha Duggan, Contract Administrator at (770) 305-5150, fax (770) 719-5534 or email at <u>nduggan@fayettecountyga.gov.</u>

Sincerety,

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