

## **RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_-2025**

### **RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT BRAGG APPROVING BUDGET AMENDMENT 26-04 TO PROVIDE ONE-TIME \$40,000 ALLOCATION TO THE HUMANE SOCIETY TO MAINTAIN ANIMAL CARE AND SHELTER SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF FORT BRAGG**

**WHEREAS**, the Humane Society provides essential animal care and shelter services on behalf of the City of Fort Bragg, including intake, medical treatment, and adoption of stray and surrendered animals; and

**WHEREAS**, the Adopted Budget for Fiscal Year 2025–26 included a \$60,000 allocation to the Humane Society; and

**WHEREAS**, the Humane Society has informed the City that its operational needs exceed the current funding level due to increased service demands, inflationary costs, and the need to maintain minimum care standards; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council recognizes the value of the Humane Society's partnership in delivering these services and desires to ensure continuity of service without interruption or degradation in quality; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council recognizes the importance of sustaining the Humane Society's services to ensure the welfare of animals and the safety of the community; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has sufficient Asset Forfeiture Education Funds, with a current available balance of \$175,000, and the District Attorney's usage guidelines allow for education, prevention, and intervention programs designed to reduce future criminal activity; and

**WHEREAS**, providing a one-time \$40,000 allocation to the Humane Society specifically supports the Police Department's community outreach and volunteer program for at-risk youth and adults, aligning with the intent of the Asset Forfeiture Education Fund by fostering prevention, education, and positive engagement; and

**WHEREAS**, this allocation is intended as a one-time supplement and any requests for ongoing increases to the baseline allocation shall be considered as part of the City's annual budget process.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg as follows:

1. Budget Amendment 2025/26-04 (Exhibit A) is hereby approved to provide a one-time \$40,000 allocation from the Asset Forfeiture Fund to the Humane Society for Fiscal Year 2025–26.

2. The City Manager is authorized to execute an amended funding agreement with the Humane Society to reflect this one-time allocation and to include updated deliverables and reporting requirements.
3. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

The above and foregoing Resolution was introduced by Councilmember\_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Councilmember\_\_\_\_\_, and passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg held on the 11th day of August 2025, by the following vote:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAIN:  
RECUSED:

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**JASON GODEKE**  
Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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**Diana Paoli**  
City Clerk