



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR
January 22, 2013

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From:  Christine Daniel, City Manager
Submitted by: Kate O'Connor, Manager, Animal Care Services
Subject: Donation of Furniture for the Dona Spring Animal Shelter by Crate and Barrel

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to accept the donation of furniture for the Dona Spring Animal Shelter from Crate and Barrel.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

The generous donation by Crate Barrel of all the office furniture needed for the shelter is in the amount of approximately \$24,000.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

Measure I was approved by Berkeley voters in November 2002. It authorized the City Council to issue \$7.2 million in General Obligation Bonds to acquire property if necessary and construct or rehabilitate a building for a new, larger animal shelter. However, the purchase of soft furnishing is not included in Measure I and there are no funds allocated for new office furniture.

BACKGROUND

As the result of a search and evaluation of alternative sites the City purchased a property at 1 Bolivar Drive on which to construct the new Animal Shelter. The site is located at the north end of Aquatic Park (between the East Shore Freeway and 2nd Street). The site was chosen because it is adjacent to Aquatic Park, affords easy access to areas for exercising and socializing animals, and is not in close proximity to any residential uses.

This new two-story 11,700 SF facility includes state-of-the-art animal adoption rooms for dogs and cats, a veterinary clinic and administrative offices. Sustainable materials and systems are used throughout. The building is LEED registered with the goal of silver certification.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

The purchase of soft furnishing is not included in the Measure I and there are no funds allocated for office furniture. The generous donation of furniture by Crate and Barrel is

durable, attractive and fits the style of the new shelter. Without this donation we would have to reuse the old and worn out furniture from the old shelter.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

Move and reuse the old furniture.

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Attachments:

1: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

DONATION OF OFFICE FURNITURE FOR THE DONA SPRING ANIMAL SHELTER
FROM CRATE AND BARREL

WHEREAS, Measure I was approved by Berkeley voters in November 2002 and authorized the City Council to issue \$7.2 million in General Obligation Bonds to acquire property if necessary and construct or rehabilitate a building for a new, larger animal shelter; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of soft furnishing is not included in the Measure I; and

WHEREAS, there are no funds allocated for new office furniture and would therefore have to reuse the old worn out furniture; and

WHEREAS, Crate and Barrel has generously donated all the furniture needed for the shelter in the amount of approximately \$24,000; and

WHEREAS, this generous donation of furniture by Crate and Barrel is durable, attractive and fits the style of the new shelter.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City that the City Manager is authorized to accept the donation of office furniture for the Dona Spring Animal shelter from Crate and Barrel.

