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## **COUNTY CONCLUDES ANIMAL SHELTER REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL PROCESS**

On February 17, 2015, the Board directed staff to explore alternative arrangements for the County's Animal Care Services and management, including possible options for outsourcing. Pursuant to Board direction, on June 29, 2015, the County issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) to provide Animal Care Services and Shelter Management. Proposals were due August 4, 2015, and have been under review since that time. During the January 5, 2016, Board of Supervisors meeting, the status of the Animal Shelter was directed to be the first order of business for the Board's Health and Human Services (HHS) Standing Committee meeting on February 8, 2016.

During their February meeting, the HHS Standing Committee received an update from staff regarding the current status of the shelter and an overview of the RFP process to date. The Committee recommended that the RFP process be concluded, that staff consider alternative means for improving shelter operations, and that staff identify and implement improved programs, practices, and protocols. The HHS Committee reported this information to the Board of Supervisors during their February 9, 2016, meeting, at which time, The Chief Executive Officer/Purchasing Agent concurred and recommended that the current competitive process be concluded. Only one party submitted a proposal, and they have been notified of this decision in writing. The County will release to the public the proposal received in response to the RFP.

For more information, please contact the Mendocino County Executive Office at (707) 463-4441.

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Chief Executive Officer