## **RESOLUTION NO. 109-2023**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH ALL KIND ANIMAL INITIATIVE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF A PET ADOPTION AND RESOURCE CENTER AT 610 ES 11<sup>TH</sup> STREET.

WHEREAS, All Kind Animal Initiative is a non-profit organization that seeks to improve animal welfare in the city of Abilene by building a new animal shelter facility, decreasing homeless pet overpopulation through accessible spay/neuter programs, increasing pet retention through expanded faster programming and adoption events, and offering greater education and resources through community outreach; and

WHEREAS, All Kind Animal Initiative desires to build a state-of-the-art pet adoption and resource center facility (PARC) in the City of Abilene; and

WHEREAS, the City of Abilene also seeks to build a new animal shelter facility; and

WHEREAS, All Kind Animal Initiative and the City of Abilene have already successful partnered in value engineering the design of a new animal shelter and adoption center; and

WHEREAS, All Kind Animal Initiative has raised private funds in the amount of \$5,500,000 towards the construction of the pet adoption and resource center facility; and

WHEREAS, All Kind Animal Initiative desires to lease from the City of Abilene certain land located at 610 ES 11<sup>th</sup> Street; and

WHEREAS, the City of Abilene agrees to lease the land to All Kind Animal Initiative for the purpose of constructing and operating a pet adoption and resource center facility; and

WHEREAS, in the event that All Kind Animal Initiative ceases to operate the pet adoption and resource center facility, the facility shall revert to the ownership of the City of Abilene; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that it is in the best interest of the City of Abilene and its citizens and serves a public purpose to enter into a Lease Agreement with All Kind Animal Initiative for the lease of 610 ES 11<sup>th</sup> Street for a period of forty years.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS:

Part 1: The City Manager is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute Lease Agreement with All Kind Animal Initiative for the lease real property located at 610 ES 11<sup>th</sup> Street for the purpose of constructing a pet adoption and resource center facility for a period of forty years.

Part 2: The City Council adopts the statements made in the Whereas clauses above.

Part 3: That this Resolution takes effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED this 13th day of July, 2023.

ATTEST:

Shawna Atkinson, City Secretary

Weldon Hurt, Mayor

APPROVED:

Stanley Smith, Gity Attorney