

City of Cleveland Memorandum

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TO: Blaine A. Griffin, Chair

Finance, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee

Michael D. Polensek, Chair

Safety Committee

FROM: Karrie D. Howard, Chief/ Director

Department of Public Safety

SUBJECT: Ordinance No. 529-2022 Authorizing the Director of Public Safety to enter

into one or more agreements with various colleges, universities, or other entities that provide training and instruction for veterinary, veterinary technician, or other professions relating to animal care for the City to provide internships or externships to students in exchange for their services at no cost to the City, for the Division of Animal Care and Control, Department of Public Safety, for a period not to exceed one year, with two options to renew not to exceed one year each, exercisable by the

Director of Public Safety

DATE: June 6, 2022

If passed by Council, Ordinance No. 529-2022 would authorizing the Director of Public Safety to enter into one or more agreements with various colleges, universities, or other entities that provide training and instruction for veterinary, veterinary technician, or other professions relating to animal care for the City to provide internships or externships to students in exchange for their services at no cost to the City, for the Division of Animal Care and Control, Department of Public Safety, for a period not to exceed one year, with two options to renew not to exceed one year each, exercisable by the Director of Public Safety.

The agreements authorized by this legislation would provide for internship or externship opportunities for the students of local colleges, universities and other instructional institutions with the City's Division of Animal Care & Control. The students of these institutions would receive training and hands-on experience in exchange for their services that will be provided at no direct cost to the City.

We believe this is an opportunity to provide students studying to be veterinarians, veterinarian technicians, and other professions relating to animal care to receive useful, real world experience providing these services to the animals provided for by the City's Division of Animal Care & Control. It is also an opportunity for us to show the students the opportunities that exist with the City for those who are interested in future employment. We believe this program would be mutually beneficial to the students and to our Division of Animal Care & Control.