

0150-11239-0001

**T R A N S M I T T A L**

TO The City Council	DATE 09/29/21	COUNCIL FILE NO.
FROM The Mayor		COUNCIL DISTRICT All

**Proposed First Amendment with Dr. J. David Wheat, Jr.  
to provide equine veterinary services for the  
Los Angeles Police Department.**

This contract amendment is authorized for execution.  
Please see the City Administrative Officer report attached.



MAYOR  
(Rich Llewellyn for)

**Report From**  
**OFFICE OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**  
**Analysis of Proposed Contract**  
(\$25,000 or Greater and Longer than Three Months)


To: The Mayor	Date: 09-02-21	C.D. No. --	CAO File No.: 0150-11239-0001
Contracting Department/Bureau: Police Department		Contact: James T. Acheron, (213) 486-0112	
Reference: Board of Police Commissioners Transmittal dated July 28, 2021; Supplemental information received August 30, 2021.			
Purpose of Contract: To provide equine veterinary services for the Los Angeles Police Department			
Type of Contract: ( ) New contract (X) Amendment, C-132556		Contract Term Dates: December 14, 2018 through December 13, 2023 (two-year extension)	
Contract/Amendment Amount: Amount not to exceed \$25,000/year			
Proposed amount \$50,000 + Prior award(s) \$75,000 = Total \$125,000			
Source of funds: General Fund			
Name of Contractor: Dr. J. David Wheat, Jr., DVM			
Address: 1009 North Santa Anita Avenue, Arcadia, California 91006			
	Yes	No	N/A
			Contractor has complied with:
1. Council has approved the purpose	X		8. Business Inclusion Program
2. Appropriated funds are available	X		9. Equal Benefits & First Source Hiring Ordinances
3. Charter Section 1022 findings completed	X		10. Contractor Responsibility Ordinance
4. Proposals have been requested	X		11. Slavery & Border Wall Disclosure Ordinances
5. Risk Management review completed	X		12. Bidder Certification CEC Form 50
6. Standard Provisions for City Contracts included	X		13. Prohibited Contributors (Bidders) CEC Form 55
7. Workforce that resides in the City: 0%			14. California Iran Contracting Act of 2010
			Yes
			No
			N/A
			X

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the City Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor, authorize the Chief of Police, or designee, to execute a First Amendment to Contract No. C-132556 with Dr. J. David Wheat, Jr., DVM to provide equine veterinary medical care for the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) Metropolitan Division Mounted Platoon's horses for an amount not to exceed \$25,000 per year for a term effective December 14, 2018 through December 13, 2023, subject to the review and approval of the City Attorney as to form.

**SUMMARY**

The Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) requests authority to execute a First Amendment to the professional services agreement with Dr. J. David Wheat, Jr., DVM (Dr. Wheat) to provide equine veterinary medical care for the Los Angeles Police Department Metropolitan Division Mounted Platoon's horses. The LAPD's proposed First Amendment would extend the current contract term by two years from December 13, 2021 to December 13, 2023, to allow the LAPD sufficient time to conduct a new competitive bid process for these services.

Angelo Yenko		
AY	Analyst	0150-11239-0001
		Assistant City Administrative Officer

The City issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) on March 22, 2018 in order to secure the services of a veterinarian that would provide 24-hour veterinary care for the LAPD Mounted Unit. Dr. Wheat was the only bidder to attend the mandatory pre-proposal conference and submit a proposal. The LAPD's Contracts Division along with the LAPD's Metropolitan Division Mounted Unit reviewed Dr. Wheat's proposal and determined that Dr. Wheat possessed the necessary experience and qualifications to provide the required level of service to the Department. The Board of Police Commissioners subsequently authorized the LAPD to negotiate a contract with Dr. Wheat on July 31, 2018, and subsequently executed Contract No. C-132556 on December 14, 2018.

Dr. Wheat will continue to provide veterinary medical care for the LAPD Metropolitan Division Mounted Platoon horses, including, but not limited to, scheduled health examinations, preventive medicine and treatments for existing conditions, shots, minor surgical procedures and emergency care. Dr. Wheat will also continue to be required to be on-call seven days a week, twenty-four hours per day, for routine or emergency medical treatment and will provide the highest priority in treating LAPD horses in the event of a life-threatening situation.

On October 24, 2018, a Charter Section 1022 Determination was completed by the Personnel Department, which concluded that two City classifications, Veterinarian and Veterinarian Technician, could perform the work requested. The LAPD contacted the two City departments (Department of Animal Services and the Los Angeles Zoo) that employ personnel in these classifications to inquire about the feasibility of either Department loaning staff to perform the requested work. The LAPD received a negative reply from both Departments. This Office determined that it would be more feasible to utilize a contractor instead of City staff to provide these services since there is insufficient existing City staff available. Further, additional City staff cannot be employed and trained in a timely manner to meet the Department's immediate needs.

In accordance with the provision of Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 10.5(a), Council approval of the proposed First Amendment is required, as the total term of the agreement now exceeds three years.

## **FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

There is a General Fund impact of up to \$25,000 each year of the proposed two-year extension. Funding for the contract is available in the 2021-22 Adopted Budget. Funding for the contract in 2022-23 will be subject to available funding provided during the budget development process.

## **FINANCIAL POLICIES STATEMENT**

The recommendation in this report complies with the City Financial Policies in that the City's financial obligation is limited to funds budgeted for this purpose.

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# LOS ANGELES POLICE COMMISSION

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July 28, 2021

BPC #21-136

The Honorable Eric Garcetti  
Mayor, City of Los Angeles  
City Hall, Room 303  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Attention: Heleen Ramirez

Dear Honorable Mayor:

RE: FIRST AMENDMENT CONTRACT BETWEEN CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND J. DAVID WHEAT JR., DVM. TO PROVIDE EQUINE VETERINARY SERVICES FOR AN ADDITIONAL TWO-YEAR PERIOD COMMENCING DECEMBER 14, 2021 AND ENDING DECEMBER 13, 2023

At the regular meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners held Tuesday, July 27, 2021, the Board APPROVED the Department's report relative to the above matter.

This matter is forwarded for your approval and it is requested that the item be processed forthwith.

Respectfully,

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Maria Silva".

MARIA SILVA  
Commission Executive Assistant

Attachment

c: Chief of Police

INTRADEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

BPC 21-136  
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**POLICE COMMISSION**

July 23, 2021  
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**TO:** The Honorable Board of Police Commissioners

**REVIEWED BY:** *Richard M. Tefank*

**FROM:** Chief of Police

**RICHARD M. TEFANK  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

**DATE**  
7/22/21

**SUBJECT:** REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND J. DAVID WHEAT JR., DVM

**RECOMMENDED ACTIONS**

1. That the Board of Police Commissioners (Board) REVIEW and APPROVE the attached First Amendment to the Contract between the City and J. David Wheat Jr., DVM.
2. That the Board TRANSMIT the Amendment to the Office of the Mayor for review and approval.
3. That the Board AUTHORIZE the Chief of Police to execute the First Amendment upon Mayoral approval.

**DISCUSSION**

On December 14, 2018, the City and J. David Wheat, Jr. (Contractor) entered into Contract No. C-132556 to provide the Los Angeles Police Department's (LAPD) Metropolitan Division Mounted Platoon with equine veterinary services for a three-year term commencing on December 14, 2018 and ending on December 13, 2021. This First Amendment will extend the term of the Original Agreement for an additional two-year period commencing on December 14, 2021 and ending on December 13, 2023 to allow the Contractor to continue providing equine veterinary services for the Metropolitan Division Mounted Platoon. It is anticipated that these services will cost approximately \$13,000 per year.

Should you have any questions concerning this request, please contact Police Administrator II Thom Brennan, Commanding Officer, Fiscal Group, at (213) 486-8590.

Respectfully,

*[Signature]*  
MICHEL R. MOORE  
Chief of Police

**BOARD OF  
POLICE COMMISSIONERS**  
Approved By *July 27, 2021*  
Secretary *Maria Simon*

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INTRADEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

July 1, 2021  
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**TO:** Chief of Police

**FROM:** Commanding Officer, Fiscal Group

**SUBJECT:** REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND J. DAVID WHEAT JR., DVM

It is requested that the Chief of Police review, approve, and transmit to the Board of Police Commissioners for review and approval the attached First Amendment to the Contract between the City and J. David Wheat, Jr. (Contractor).

On December 14, 2018, the City and the Contractor entered into Contract No. C-132556 to provide the Los Angeles Police Department's (LAPD) Metropolitan Division Mounted Platoon with equine veterinary services for a three-year term commencing on December 14, 2018 and ending on December 13, 2021. This First Amendment will extend the term of the Original Agreement for an additional two-year period commencing on December 14, 2021 and ending on December 13, 2023 to allow the Contractor to continue providing equine veterinary services for the Metropolitan Division Mounted Platoon. It is anticipated that these services will cost approximately \$13,000 per year.

Should you have any questions concerning this request, please contact Senior Management Analyst II James T. Aceron, Officer in Charge, Contracts Section, Fiscal Group, at (213) 486-0112.



THOM BRENNAN, Police Administrator II  
Commanding Officer  
Fiscal Group

Attachments

**FIRST AMENDMENT TO  
CONTRACT NO. C-132556  
BETWEEN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
AND J. DAVID WHEAT, JR., DVM  
FOR LAPD METROPOLITAN DIVISION MOUNTED PLATOON  
EQUINE VETERINARY SERVICES**

This FIRST AMENDMENT to Contract No. C-132556 is made and entered into by and between the City of Los Angeles, California, a municipal corporation (hereinafter referred to as the "City"), acting by and through the Los Angeles Police Department (hereinafter referred to as the "LAPD" or "Department"), and J. David Wheat, Jr., DVM, an individual (hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor").

**RECITALS**

**WHEREAS**, on December 14, 2018, the City and Contractor entered into Contract No. C-132556 ("Original Agreement") to provide the LAPD with twenty-four (24) hour veterinary care and services for the Los Angeles Police Department Metropolitan Division Mounted Platoon ("Platoon") horses; and

**WHEREAS**, the Original Agreement was for three (3) years, which commenced on December 14, 2018 and expires on December 13, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 10.0 of the Original Agreement provides for amendments; and

**WHEREAS**, the City and the Contractor are desirous of extending the term of the Original Agreement by an additional two-year period, commencing on December 14, 2021 and ending on December 13, 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, this First Amendment is necessary and proper to continue with all terms and conditions of the Original Agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Contractor is willing to perform the work under the terms and conditions of this Amendment.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the City and Contractor hereby agree that the Original Agreement be amended as follows:

1. Extension of the Term of the Original Agreement. City and Contractor hereby agree that the term of the Original Agreement as set forth in Section 2.0 of the Original Agreement is hereby extended for an additional two-year period, beginning December 14, 2021 and ending December 13, 2023, unless terminated as provided in Section 8.0 of the Original Agreement.

2. Disclosure of Border Wall Contracting. Contractor shall comply with Los Angeles Administrative Code (“LAAC”) Section 10.50 et seq., “Disclosure of Border Wall Contracting.” City may terminate this contract at any time if City determines that Contractor failed to fully and accurately complete the required affidavit and disclose all Border Wall Bids and Border Wall Contracts, as defined in LAAC Section 10.50.1. The required affidavit must be submitted online at [www.labavn.org](http://www.labavn.org).
3. Ratification. Due to the need for the Contractor’s services to be provided continuously, the Contractor may have provided services prior to the execution of this First Amendment. To the extent that said services were performed in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Original Agreement, those services are hereby ratified.
4. Counterparts/Electronic Signatures. This First Amendment may be executed in one or more counterparts, and by the parties in separate counterparts, each of which when executed shall be deemed to be an original but all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement. The parties further agree that facsimile signatures or signatures scanned into .pdf (or signatures in another electronic format designated by City) and sent by e-mail shall be deemed original signatures.
5. Order of Precedence. In the event of an inconsistency between any of the provisions of this First Amendment to Contract No. C-132556, or all prior or current exhibits, the inconsistency shall be resolved by giving previous exhibits and/or amendments precedence in the following order:
  - 1) First Amendment to Contract No. C-132556,
  - 2) LAPD Contract No. C-132556, and
  - 3) Standard Provisions for City Contracts (Rev. 10/17) [v.3].

Except as herein amended or modified, all terms and conditions of the Original Agreement shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

This First Amendment includes three (3) pages. The Original Agreement is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety into this First Amendment.

**[Signature Page Follows]**



**IN WITNESS THEREOF**, the parties hereto have caused this First Amendment to be executed by their respective duly authorized representatives.

**THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES**

**J. DAVID WHEAT JR., DVM**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
MICHEL R. MOORE  
Chief of Police

By: J. David Wheat Jr. DVM  
J. DAVID WHEAT, JR.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 6-28-21

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

MICHAEL N. FEUER, City Attorney

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
SAMUEL PETTY  
Deputy City Attorney

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTEST:**

HOLLY L. WOLCOTT, City Clerk

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy City Clerk

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

City Business Tax Registration Certificate (BTRC) Number: 0000715383-0001-7

Internal Revenue Service Taxpayer Identification Number: On File with the LAPD

Agreement Number: C-132556-1