MOTION

The City of Los Angeles has six animal shelters citywide. While each shelter has its own unique functional challenges due to the physical facility layout, previous motions have attempted to address a myriad of issues facing the department such as hemorrhaging staffing levels, a decrease in kennel space and capacity, and a difficulty maintaining clean kennels.

The Harbor Animal Care Center is located in San Pedro and is the one city-run shelter that services constituents in the South Bay region. The facility recently has undergone improvements onsite, including landscaping and changes to the parking area. Currently, an aviary, or bird sanctuary, onsite exists as a designated area for birds residing in the shelter. The sanctuary generally remains largely underutilized.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council request the Department of Animal Services in consultation with the General Services Department and the City Administrative Officer to report back in 90 days with an estimate on the cost of repurposing the aviary sanctuary and any additional modifications to expand capacity to serve the facility's functional needs.

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