
MEMORANDUM



TO: Mayor Walker and Councilors
FROM: M McPherson, City Administrator
T Frederick, Princeton Police Chief
SUBJECT: **Approve Contract with Online Retrievers for Animal Control Services**
DATE: May 24, 2022

Background:

In 2021, the City entered into a service contract with North Metro Animal Control to provide animal control services. Effective June 1, due to health issues, North Metro Animal Control will no longer be providing services to a number of jurisdictions including the City of Princeton.

Staff contacted Online Retrievers as to their interest in providing animal control services to the City of Princeton. They provide animal control services to Mille Lacs County and also board K-9 Bogey when he goes on "vacation". David Russell, co-owner has significant animal control experience and has assisted the Princeton Police Department with dangerous dog cases in the past.

Online Retrievers has proposed the terms in the attached service contract. As the Police Department has temporary holding facilities, they will be able to retrieve dogs that are picked up by the officers on a more flexible schedule.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the attached contract with Online Retrievers for a one-year period from June 1, 2022 to June 1, 2023.