

  
CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

## OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S.

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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT (EBRPD) AND LOCAL ANIMAL SERVICE AGENCIES TO PROTECT AND REMOVE CATS FOUND IN THE HABITATS OF ENDANGERED SPECIES IN EBRPD PARKS.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Oakland (City) Animal Services (OAS) is committed to protecting cats and has existing programs to do so; and

**WHEREAS**, the East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD) has parks in the City with habitats of endangered birds and mice and is mandated to protect those species; and

**WHEREAS**, in December 2020, EBRPD staff lethally removed cats found in habitats of endangered species in Martin Luther King Regional Shoreline, a 748-acre park, on the San Leandro Bay, with a main entrance at the intersection of Doolittle and Swan Way, in the City; and

**WHEREAS**, OAS staff offered support to EBRPD to humanely trap and safely relocate cats when necessary to protect endangered species in their parks which led to the collaboration of five additional animal shelters in the region to do the same; and

**WHEREAS**, the informal partnership has prevented the lethal removal of cats from EBRPD parks since the incident in December 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, entering into a Cooperative Agreement represents a commitment to institutionalize the commitment to protect cats and endangered species in EBRPD parks; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Charter Article 504 (1) authorizes the City Administrator to negotiate agreements for joint governmental actions, subject to Council approval; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED:** That the City Administrator is authorized to enter into a Cooperative Agreement between the East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD) and local animal service agencies for a five-year term to allow Animal Services an opportunity to humanely remove cats found in EBRPD parks prior to EBRPD utilizing lethal control methods; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the City Administrator in consultation with the City Attorney is authorized to complete all negotiations and complete all contracts, amendments, modifications and extensions consistent with this resolution and its basic purposes.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - FIFE, GALLO, JENKINS, KALB, KAPLAN, RAMACHANDRAN, REID, AND  
PRESIDENT FORTUNATO BAS

NOES –

ABSENT –

ABSTENTION –

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
ASHA REED  
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the  
City of Oakland, California