

KACY ALLEN-BRYANT COMMISSIONER SOCIAL SERVICES

TO: Mayor Linda Gorton

Honorable Members, Urban County Council

FROM:

Kacy Allen-Bryant, Commissioner of Social Services

DATE: June 10, 2024

SUBJECT: Division of Family Services Contract with Honey Hill Farm

Request:

Request Council approval for the Mayor to execute a contract to have Honey Hill Farm Petting Zoo at the Family Care Center.

Why are you requesting?

The Family Care Center is requesting this contract approval to have Honey Hill Farms at the Center with their petting zoo, as interacting with animals has been proven to have many educational and social benefits for young children. Studies have shown that interacting with animals on a regular basis helps preschoolers develop important social and emotional skills that can benefit them throughout their academic careers and beyond.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years?

One-time cost of \$532.50.

Are the funds budgeted?

Yes, in account 1103-606401-6429-75101

File Number: 0629-24

Director/Commissioner: Shelia Horton-Holt / Kacy Allen-Bryant

