



# CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT



October 26, 2021

## ITEM TITLE

Ratification of Appointment: City Manager's Appointment of the Director of Animal Services – John Skeel

**Report Number:** 21-0207

**Location:** No specific geographic location.

**Department:** Human Resources

**Environmental Notice:** The activity is not a "Project" as defined under Section 15378 of the California Environmental Quality Act State Guidelines; therefore, pursuant to State Guidelines Section 15060(c)(3) no environmental review is required.

## Recommended Action

Adopt a resolution ratifying the City Manager's appointment of John Skeel as the Director of Animal Services.

## SUMMARY

The Department of Human Resources conducted a statewide recruitment during the summer of 2021 for the City's Director of Animal Services. The City Manager has selected John Skeel to fill the position of Director of Animal Services.

This item seeks to approve the appointment of John Skeel to the position of Director of Animal Services effective November 5, 2021.

## ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

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## BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Not applicable.

## **DISCUSSION**

The Department of Human Resources conducted a statewide recruitment during the summer of 2021 for the City's Director of Animal Services. The City of Chula Vista's Charter Section 500 (a) grants the City Manager the authority to appoint department heads subject to the approval of the City Council.

The City Manager has selected John Skeel to fill the position of Director of Animal Services effective November 5, 2021.

With over 20 years of public sector management and executive experience throughout the United States, Mr. Skeel brings a wide breadth and depth of leadership experience that will complement the current Animal Care staff.

His accomplishments, duties and responsibilities are impressive and can be reviewed in the attached resume.

City Council adoption of the resolution will ratify the City Manager's appointment.

## **DECISION-MAKER CONFLICT**

Staff has reviewed the decision contemplated by this action and has determined that it is not site specific and consequently, the 500-foot rule found in California Code of Regulations section 18704.2(a)(1), is not applicable to this decision. Staff is not independently aware, and has not been informed by any Council member, of any other fact that may constitute a basis for a decision maker conflict of interest in this matter.

## **CURRENT-YEAR FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact from this action as the position is in the City adopted budget.

## **ONGOING FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact from this action as the position is in the City adopted budget.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Resume

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