

RESOLUTION NO. 1144

**A RESOLUTION REGARDING FUTURE OWNERSHIP AND
OPERATION OF THE OSAWATOMIE ANIMAL SHELTER.**

WHEREAS, in August 2019, the City of Osawatomie and Always and Furever Midwest Animal Sanctuary, Inc. (“A&F”) entered into an Agreement for A&F to operate the Osawatomie Pound; and

WHEREAS, both parties entered into that relationship with the best of intentions; and

WHEREAS, in the last several weeks A&F has disparaged the city’s best efforts to cooperate by engaging in a negative campaign against its willing partner, the City of Osawatomie not only on social media but through other media outlets; and

WHEREAS, A&F has since apologized for their actions and the harm that it has had on the Osawatomie community; and

WHEREAS, at this point in time there seems to be only two paths that the City and A&F can pursue that leads to both repairing a damaged relationship and meeting the goals of each organization.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY
OF OSAWATOMIE, KANSAS:**

SECTION ONE: The Governing Body of the City of Osawatomie agrees to listen to the presentation of Always and Furever and their desire to purchase the property identified in this Resolution.

SECTION TWO: The Governing Body after the end of the presentation and taking into account the concerns of the community and weighing the recommendation of the City Manager will then make a determination as to whether they want to agree to the sale of the Osawatomie Animal Shelter (Exhibit A) or terminate the Agreement the City has with A&F (Exhibit B) and take back the Osawatomie Animal Shelter operation.

SECTION THREE: The City of Osawatomie Governing Body if they so choose and since the City operates under a Mayor/Council/Manager form of government as defined by Kansas State Statute can allow the City Manager, in his sole discretion, to act on behalf of the city and enter into a preliminary sales agreement or issue the notice of termination, whichever he deems to be in the best interests of the City.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Governing Body of the City of Osawatomie, Kansas this 8th day of June, 2023, a majority being in favor thereof.

APPROVED AND SIGNED by the Mayor.

Mayor Nick Hampson

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

Tammy Seamands
City Clerk