

# COUNCIL DECISION REQUEST

SUBJECT: Fee waiver request filed by PAWS (Payson Area Woofers Society) to use the Payson Dog Park for their Annual Fundraising Event.

MEETING DATE: February 5, 2015

PAYSON GOAL: NEW:                      EXISTING:

ITEM NO.:

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE:

SUBMITTED BY: Cameron Davis   
Park, Recreation and Tourism Director

AMOUNT BUDGETED: N/A

SUBMITTAL TO AGENDA  
APPROVED BY TOWN MANAGER

EXPENDITURE REQUIRED: N/A

CONT. FUNDING REQUIRED:

  
EXHIBITS (If Applicable, To Be Attached):  
Exhibit A - Letter from PAWS

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## POSSIBLE MOTION

I move to (1) approve the requested waiver of fees by the PAWS organization for a one day (24 hours) fundraising event in 2015 at the Dog Park (land only), which is located in Rumsey Park. (2) I move to deny the request for fee waiver by the PAWS organization to use the Dog Park land for their annual fundraising event in 2015.

## SUMMARY OF THE BASIS FOR POSSIBLE MOTION:

PAWS (Payson Area Woofers Society) is requesting a waiver of the adopted reservation fees to use the Payson Dog Park for their annual fundraising event. This is based on their continued help in maintaining the dog park. They are requesting an annual waiver for one day per year (24 Hours). The adopted fees for this facility are \$15 per hour and in years past they have requested and have paid for the use of the land, a spider box and electrical cords for their needs.

## PROS: \_\_\_\_\_

- This would help the PAWS group sustain their ability to continue to help the Town maintain this area within Rumsey Park.

## CONS:

- Waiving these fees would set a precedence that the council has not previously allowed.
- Waving fees for this organization (PAWS) to allow them to hold their fundraising event would be in contrast to other community organizations that are required to pay to use public facilities for their fundraisers, some of which also provide service to the Town.

## PUBLIC INPUT (if any):

## BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION ACTIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS (if any) (give dates and attach minutes):

## FUNDING:

Acct:	Budget:	Available:	Expense:	Remaining:
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# EXHIBIT A

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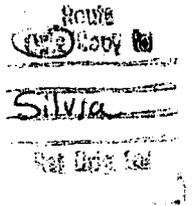
PAWS  
P.O. Box 1108  
Payson, Arizona 85547



January 16, 2015

Town of Payson

Payson AZ



Dear Sirs:

It is my understanding that we have to submit a request to you for an event at the Payson Dog park for a no cost to the Club . P.A.W.S. is required to pay \$15.00 an hour to use the Dog Park and it has to be approved by the Town Council to wave this fee.

We would like to attend the next Town council meeting to explain P.A.W.S. responsibilities at the dog Park and request their permission to use the dog Park one day (24 hours) a year for a fundraising event in order to continue those responsibilities. That event would take place in the large area of the Dog Park, not the small fenced areas, which would remain open for dog use.

In the past several years P.A.W.S has contributed the following to the entire dog Park area.

P.A.W.S. went to PetSmart and worked with them, the Town of Payson, and the parks Dept. to have new Ramada donated and constructed in the dog park.

P.A.W.S. paid approximately \$500.00 to have all the new RULES and REGULATOION signage made and installed.

P.A.W.S. volunteers clean up the dog park on a daily basis, they pick up feces, trash and fill bag dispensers. Their volunteers paint and update all the Dog Park play equipment, tables and chairs as needed at their own expense. They are planning to redue the base of the little dog house this spring, at their expense.

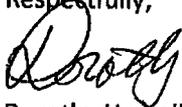
P.A.W.S. volunteers trim the trees and shrubs and rake all the leaves in the spring.

P.A.W.S. also works with the Humane society of Central Arizona to subsidize low cost spay neuter. In the past year we have donated over \$700.00 to help people pay for those services.

We are working very hard to make the Dog Park a great place for people and their pets. Please grant us on day out of the year at no cost so we can continue to have the funds to do so.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dorothy".

Dorothy Howell, President

928-472-7396

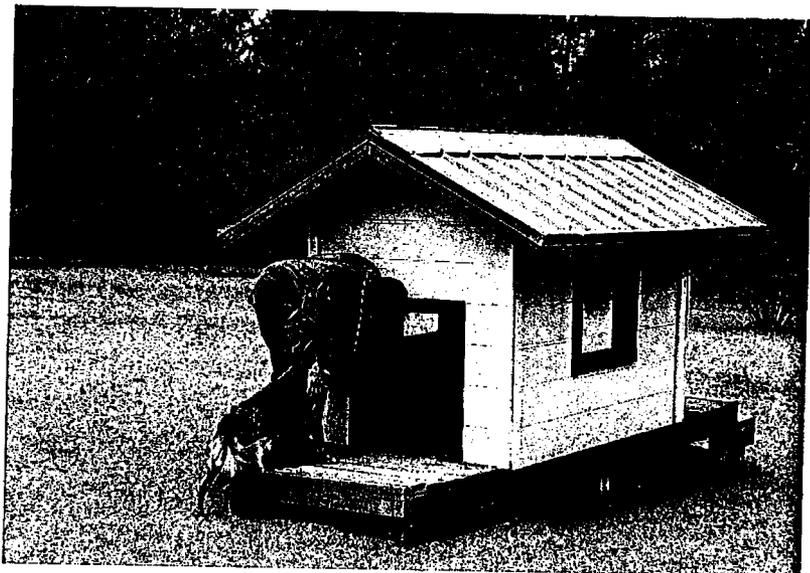
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**PetSmart**  
is Proud to Sponsor The  
Shade Shelter at  
Rumsey Bark Park

Rumsey Bark park is owned and operated  
by The Town of Payson with Special  
assistance from the PAWS  
Volunteer Group



**Poop happens!**

**When it does...  
Pick it up!**

**BAGS**

**RULES AND REGULATIONS**

- 1. All dogs must be on a leash at all times.
- 2. All dogs must be kept on the paved path.
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