



ARPA City Council Presentation

Low-Cost Community Vet Clinic

Project Description

- The Terre Haute Humane Society intends to build a veterinary clinic adjacent to the existing shelter facility at 1811 South Fruitridge Avenue. This will be a low-cost vet clinic that will offer spay/neuter services, vaccinations, and basic vet care to the public and provide vet care and spay/neuter services to the shelter. The clinic will also include dedicated kennel space for the City of Terre Haute animal control and the Vigo County Sheriff's Office animal control officers.
 - The facility will fill short-term and long-term needs.
 - Short-term
 - It will provide additional kennel space for City and County animal control officers
 - Provide a medical resource for animal control
 - Reduce the financial barrier to care for lower income residents
 - Long-term
 - The clinic will tackle the stray animal problem in our community through an aggressive low-cost spay/neuter program.



Timeline

- Request for bids – Complete
 - Solicited bids from 3 local contractors in January 2023
 - THHS Board of Directors selected Keymark Construction as the design-builder on February 21, 2023
 - Signed design-build contract on March 22, 2023
- Building Design – Ongoing
 - Kick off meeting was on April 5, 2023
 - Floor plan has been finalized
- Construction
 - Estimate construction to begin in September
 - Construction estimated to be complete by end of 2023



Budget

- Total Construction Cost
 - \$675,700
- Funding Sources
 - City ARPA Funds: \$250,000
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 - Corporate Donations: \$30,000+
 - Grants: \$25,000+
 - Fundraising/Internal Reserves



Budget - Itemized

Category	Amount
General Requirements	\$95,760
Carpentry	\$70,000
Site Work & Utilities	\$65,000
Drywall	\$55,000
Concrete	\$45,000
Electrical	\$41,000
Plumbing	\$40,000
Design Fees	\$36,240
Interior Doors	\$35,000
HVAC	\$32,500
Siding	\$25,000
Painting	\$25,000
Roofing	\$18,000
Insulation	\$15,000
Owner Allowance	\$15,000
Cabinet Allowance	\$12,000
Sealed Concrete	\$9,200
Windows	\$9,000
Storefront Doors	\$9,000
Appliance Allowance	\$7,500
Epoxy Floors	\$6,500
Overhead Doors	\$4,000
Bath Accessories	\$2,500
Sidewalk	\$2,500



Measures

- Short Term
 - “Relief Valve” for City/County animal control officers in the form of 10 to 12 indoor dog kennels exclusively for animal control when the shelter is full
 - Provide a veterinary resource for animal control
 - Lower the barrier to care
 - In 2018 nationwide there were an estimated 29 million dogs and cats living with families that were participating in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
 - In April 2023 6,603 Vigo County households were participating in SNAP
 - Reduce the number of animals relinquished to the shelter due to inability to pay for vet care.
 - Approximately 70% of the animals relinquished to the shelter by the pet owner is due to the owner not being able to pay for healthcare for their pet.



Measures

- Long Term
 - Reduce the stray animal population in Vigo County through an aggressive low cost spay/neuter program
 - The pandemic along with the closure of the SPOT clinic exacerbated the stray animal problem in Terre Haute
 - Nation-wide deficit of 2.7 million spay/neuter surgeries between 2020 and 2021
 - Shelters nation wide are in crisis mode
 - In 7 years a single pair of cats and their offspring can produce 420,000 kittens
 - Kittens born as strays have a high mortality rate – ~75%
 - Average cost to in Indiana to have a dog spayed/neutered at a traditional veterinary practice is **\$400**
 - The cost at the THHS clinic will be less than \$100 and grants could potentially allow us to offer free spay/neuters to low income residents.

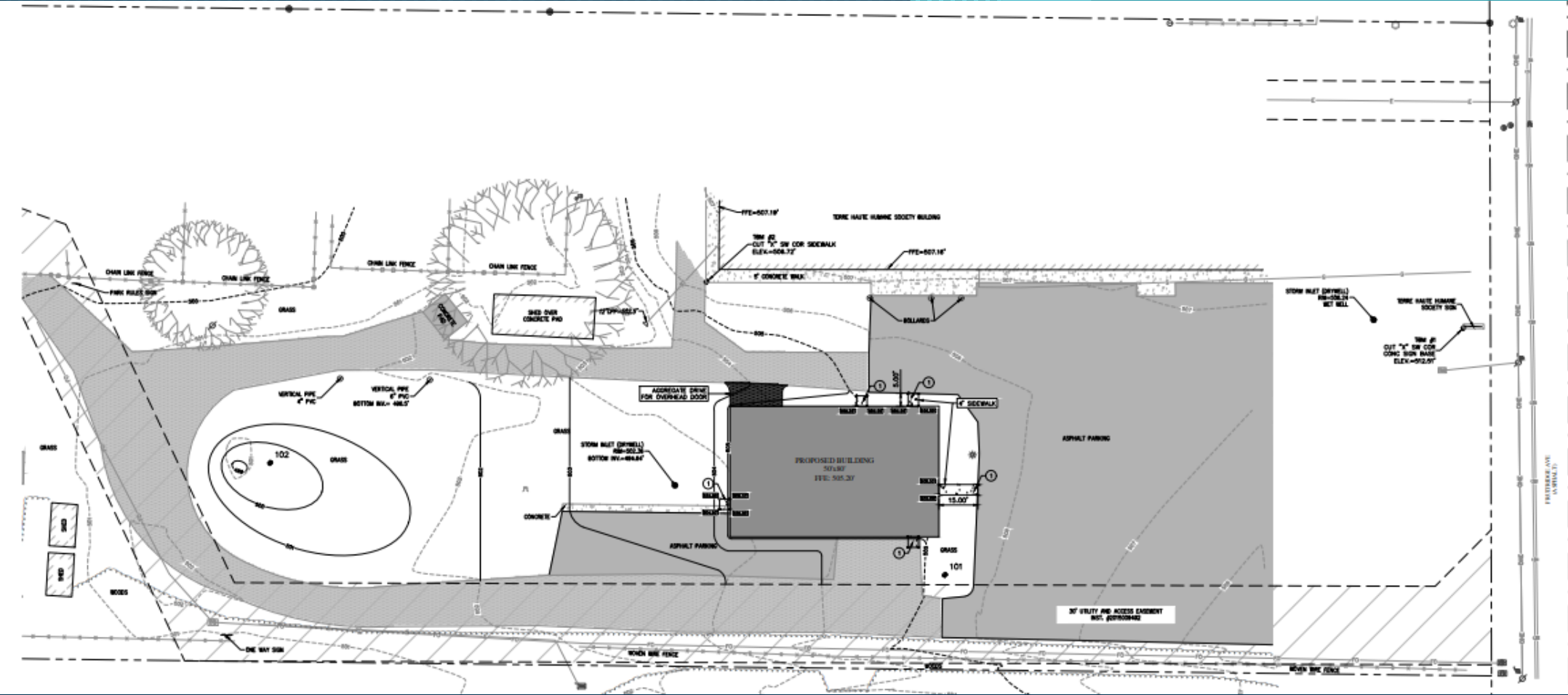


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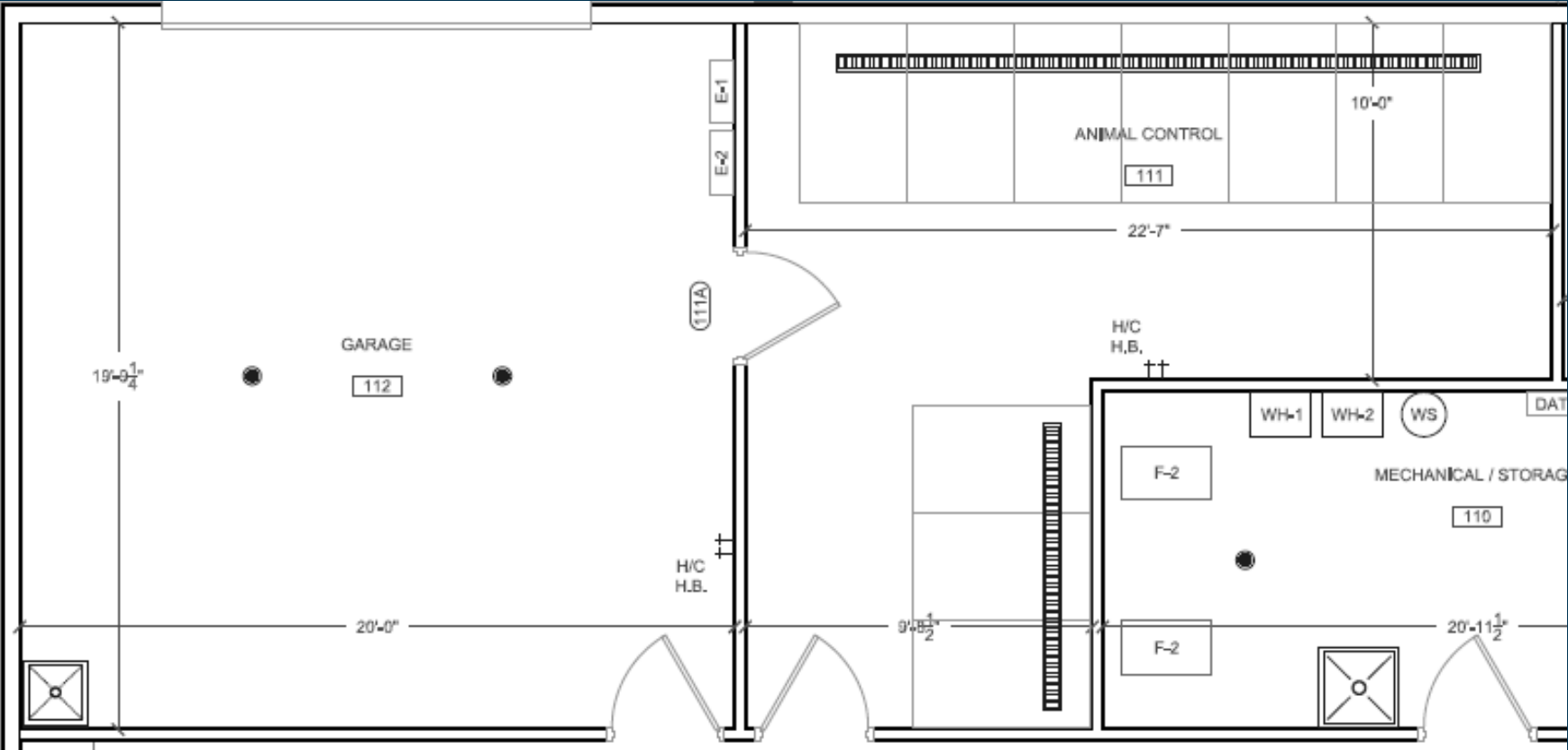
- Long Term – Spay Neuter
 - Long term impact of aggressive spay/neuter programs
 - Vanderburgh Humane Society Low Cost Clinic (Evansville)
 - Opened in 2012
 - Spayed/Neutered 5,010 cats and 1,776 dogs in 2022
 - 100,000 spay/neuter surgeries performed since opening in 2012



Site Plan



Floor Plan - Animal Control Kennels



Financial Sustainability

- Estimate annual operating expenses to be around \$400,000
 - Staffing:
 - 1 Full time vet
 - 2 to 3 vet techs/assistants
 - Clinic manager/receptionist
- Estimate that annual income will be around \$400,000





Questions?

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