

SILICON VALLEY
ANIMAL CONTROL AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM

BEQUEST

MOTION

That the Bequest Report be received and filed.

REPORT

Staff was recently notified that we were a beneficiary to the estate of Ms. Margaret L. Sliz. Ms. Sliz was a Santa Clara resident and had been a donor for the last several years. Ms. Sliz was an avid animal lover and had cats and dogs throughout her life. She had plans to retire when she fell ill and passed away.

The bequest total was \$1,565,596.78 and there are no stipulations on how it is to be spent and is now in the Animal Assistance Fund.

We owe a debt of gratitude to Ms. Sliz for her generosity and are saddened to think she didn't have the opportunity to enjoy her retirement. We plan to tap into the funds to renovate the Barking Lot (outdoor dog play area) and honor her kindness and generosity by posting a memorial plaque. We also plan to use some of the funds to purchase medical equipment for our medical clinic so we can save even more animals.