

**Memorandum of Understanding
Between Whatcom Transit Authority and Animals as Natural Therapy
Effective January 1, 2023**

Animals as Natural Therapy (ANT) a 501(c)3 organization (EIN #: 91-1939165) will offer Mobile ANT visits to Whatcom Transit Authority (WTA). The visits will be on Wednesday, June 14th from 3:30-5 PM, and Tuesday, June 20th, from 2-3:30 PM. Additional visits may be scheduled by WTA staff request at a date and time agreed upon by both parties. As a condition of this MOU, ANT agrees to provide WTA with proof of insurance coverage as follows:

- Commercial general liability and umbrella and/or excess liability. ANT shall maintain commercial general liability insurance no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence with a \$2,000,000 aggregate. If necessary, to obtain the required limits, commercial umbrella or excess liability is permitted. Coverage shall be least as broad as Insurance Services Office (ISO) Occurrence form CG 00 01 including, but is not limited to, contractual liability, products and completed operations, property damage, and employer's liability.

WTA shall be named as an additional insured on the contractor's commercial general liability/umbrella liability for both Ongoing Operations and Completed Operations liability.

- Business auto coverage for any auto no less than a \$1,000,000 each accident limit at least as broad as Insurance Services Office (ISO) commercial auto form (CA 00 01, CA 00 05, CA 00 12, CA 00 20). If necessary, to obtain required limits, commercial umbrella or excess liability is permitted.

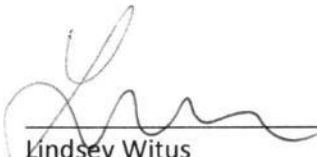
Mobile ANT visits will consist of at least one staff, volunteers, and youth accompanying the animals to WTA. Animals will include a combination of rabbits, chickens, dogs, goats, and/or horses, and the number of animal visitors will depend on available volunteers & staff. ANT staff members and volunteers will follow the current COVID protocol set by the CDC, the Whatcom County and Washington State Departments of Health, and by WTA.

ANT is not liable for landscaping damages potentially made by the animals while visiting the facility, provided animals are appropriately and humanely contained. ANT will remain liable to WTA for any damage to WTA property in the event animals are not contained or for any fines or fees incurred as a result of ANT's failure to contain animals. If WTA agrees with their landscapers that they do NOT want to waive liability for Animals as Natural Therapy for creating potential significant animal tracks on grass as a result of their visit, then they will inform us of that decision.

WTA acknowledges the inherent risk of inviting farm animals to their business. ANT will make every effort to contain animal waste, however, messes are possible. If an animal-related mess occurs, ANT staff are responsible for cleaning to the best of their ability. Animals will not be allowed into WTA facilities. Should animals be permitted inside, ANT will be liable for all costs related to repair, cleaning, or replacement of any flooring damage if the animals are not appropriately and humanely contained or if ANT fails to adequately prepare and mitigate animal waste. If WTA is concerned about animal waste, they will inform ANT staff so that ANT may choose to bring small animals only or make other adjustments to reduce the risk of mess.

ANT may cancel up to two (2) hours prior to the scheduled visit if the weather becomes too inclement for the safety and well-being of the animals, staff, and volunteers. ANT will contact WTA as soon as the decision is made to inform WTA of any cancellations due to the weather. Every attempt to reschedule for the next available time will be made. If WTA needs to cancel ANT's visit for any reason, WTA will notify ANT staff at least two (2) hours prior to the scheduled visit. Due to the time it takes staff to prepare for a Mobile ANT visit, if ANT is informed of cancellation less than two (2) hours prior to the scheduled visit time, WTA will be charged half of the visit fee.

For local visits within Bellingham, Animals as Natural Therapy charges two-hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) per hour for visits that include miniature or large horses and one hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$175.00) per hour for visits that include only small animals. 1.5-hour visits including horses will be three hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$375.00). **ANT's bookkeeper will bill WTA by invoice upon completion of each visit.**



Lindsey Witus
Mobile ANT Coordinator

Date: 4/28/2023

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Date:

Signed: Monday, June 5, 2023

General Manager