

**SUMTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

SUBJECT: Abate Pursuit of Judicial Relief Against Humane Society of Florida, Inc. (Staff recommends approval).

REQUESTED ACTION: Abate pursuit of judicial relief against Humane Society of Florida, Inc.

Work Session (Report Only) **DATE OF MEETING:** 11/22/2011
 Regular Meeting Special Meeting

CONTRACT: N/A Vendor/Entity: _____
Effective Date: _____ Termination Date: _____
Managing Division / Dept: County Attorney

BUDGET IMPACT: _____
 Annual **FUNDING SOURCE:** _____
 Capital **EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT:** _____
 N/A

On August 9, 2011, the Board authorized the County Attorney to pursue judicial relief regarding the operation of the Humane Society of Florida, Inc. at 7295 W C-48. Staff was concerned that given their record of operation at this location, the Humane Society of Florida, Inc. would not heed the findings of the Special Master for Code Enforcement and would continue to operate.

The Hogan Law Firm, County Attorney, prepared the injunction to file with the court. On November 10, 2011, Mr. Bradley Arnold, County Administrator, requested a final check of the operation prior to approving the submittal of the injunction. During this final check, it was discovered that several positive events have occurred since August 9, 2011.

September 20, 2011 -Humane Society of Florida, Inc. registered a new principal place of business. It was moved from 7295 W C-48, Bushnell, FL to 9211 S Florida Ave., Floral City, FL. In addition, the current registered agent was changed from Margret Nolan to Mary Jane Groton.

On November 10, 2011 - Mr. Arnold and Mr. Brad Cornelius, Director Planning & Development, visited the property located at 7295 W C-48. Mr. Arnold and Mr. Cornelius did not observe any activity taking place that violated the County's code. In addition, Mr. Cornelius spoke by phone with Laura Miller, Humane Society of Florida, Inc. Ms. Miller told Mr. Cornelius that they are no longer operating out of the property located at 7295 W C-48. Ms. Miller advised Mr. Cornelius that they have evicted Margret Nolan from the home. Ms. Nolan must vacate the home by November 30, 2011.

As a result of this information, staff recommends the Board abate the pursuit of judicial relief against the Humane Society of Florida, Inc. as authorized by the Board on August 9, 2011. However, staff will continue to monitor the property. If future violations are found, then staff will again pursue judicial relief.

2011 NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION AMENDED ANNUAL REPORT**FILED
Sep 20, 2011
Secretary of State**

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Entity Name: HUMANE SOCIETY OF FLORIDA, INC.

Current Principal Place of Business:7295 W. COUNTY ROAD 48
BUSHNELL, FL 33513**New Principal Place of Business:**9211 S FLORIDA AVE
FLORAL CITY, FL 33513 UN**Current Mailing Address:**7295 W. COUNTY ROAD 48
BUSHNELL, FL 33513**New Mailing Address:**9211 S FLORIDA AVE
FLORAL CITY, FL 33513 UN

FEI Number: 20-1636853

FEI Number Applied For ()

FEI Number Not Applicable ()

Certificate of Status Desired (X)

Name and Address of Current Registered Agent:NOLAN, MARGRET
2109 SOUTH MOHICAN TRAIL
INVERNESS, FL 34450 US**Name and Address of New Registered Agent:**GORTON, MARY JANE
7250 E APRIL CT
FLORAL CITY, FL 34436 US

The above named entity submits this statement for the purpose of changing its registered office or registered agent, or both, in the State of Florida.

SIGNATURE: MARY JANE GORTON

09/20/2011

Electronic Signature of Registered Agent

Date

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS:Title: P
Name: GORTON, MARY JANE
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Name: CARUTHERS, KAREEN
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Name: BITTING, ANN
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City-St-Zip: FLORAL CITY, FL 3443

I hereby certify that the information indicated on this report or supplemental report is true and accurate and that my electronic signature shall have the same legal effect as if made under oath; that I am an officer or director of the corporation or the receiver or trustee empowered to execute this report as required by Chapter 617, Florida Statutes; and that my name appears above, or on an attachment with all other like empowered.

SIGNATURE: MARY JANE GORTON

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09/20/2011

Electronic Signature of Signing Officer or Director

Date