## **Blount County Memorandum**

Date: 29 Nov 21

To: Budget Committee

From: Charles Rafford

Subject: Budget Amendment – Part Time Personnel

I am submitting a Budget Amendment to increase funding in my Part Time line item to address a need for increased manpower at the Animal Center.

This past year has seen a decrease in the number of volunteers coming to the Center to help due to Covid concerns. This decrease in overall volunteer hours, coupled with the fact we are no longer getting inmates from the jail, has been very difficult for us. As you know the work at the Center is a 365 day a year effort and requires a great deal of labor to operate. The ability to fund these two positions utilizing a portion of our donation fund balance would be a great benefit to us.

These part time positions would be funded through the remainder of FY21-22. As we get closer to the end of the FY we are hoping our volunteer recruiting efforts and the situation with the County inmates improves.

Thank you in advance with your help in this matter.