CITY OF LOS ANGELES
LOS ANGELES ZOO

DATE: February 16, 2021

TO: BOARD OF ZOO COMMISSIONERS

FROM: DENISE M. VERRET, Zoo Director

SUBJECT: LOS ANGELES ZOO ANIMAL TRANSACTIONS AND STATUS REPORT

The following is a list of animal transactions that have been approved. Funds from sales transactions will be deposited into the City’s Animal Purchases and Sales account. All receiving institutions are accredited by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA) unless otherwise noted. Animal transactions support the Zoo’s commitment to population management, animal welfare and conservation efforts. Transactions reflect loans, purchases and sales and include animals that are owned by the Los Angeles Zoo, but reside in the care of other AZA-accredited or approved institutions.

PLEASE NOTE: The following transactions have been approved, but the physical animal transport will be pending as each transaction is reviewed. We will be moving forward cautiously based on welfare, social needs and Species Survival Plan (SSP) recommendations.

LOANS

Loan transfer to San Diego Zoo Safari Park in California of 0.1 Masai giraffe. This transaction is an SSP recommended transfer.

Loan to Saint Louis Zoo in Missouri of 0.1 Rowley’s palm pitviper. This transaction will pair the Los Angeles Zoo’s female with the only remaining male available at an Association of Zoos & Aquariums facility.

SALES

Sale to California Science Center in Los Angeles, California of 0.0.4 Magnificent tree frog. This transaction will provide the Science Center with exhibit frogs.

Sale to White Oak Conservation Center in Yulee, Florida of 1.1 Grevy’s Zebra. These animals currently reside at White Oak Conservation Center. This transaction will eliminate an unnecessary loan.

Sale to Tony Suffredini in Simi Valley, California of 0.1 African crowned eagle. This facility is on the Zoo’s approved site list and the animal is currently on loan here. This transaction will eliminate an unnecessary loan.
Sale to Dominique Keller in Oak Park, California of 0.0.1 Rock dove. This facility is on the Zoo’s approved site list. This chick was rejected and cannot be reintroduced to the flock. This move will provide the animal with a permanent home with an appropriate social group.

Sale to Disney’s Animal Kingdom in Bay Lake, Florida of 0.1 Hippopotamus. This transaction is an SSP recommended transfer.

Sale to Disney’s Animal Kingdom in Bay Lake, Florida of 1.0 Bush pig. This animal is currently on loan to Disney’s Animal Kingdom. This transaction will eliminate an unnecessary loan.

Births (1/1/21-1/31/21)
- 0.0.1 Southern Tamandua
- 1.0 Coquerel’s sifaka
- 0.0.1 Yellow-backed duiker

Deaths (1/1/2-1/31/21)
- 1.0 California Condor
- 0.0.1 Freshwater angelfish
- 0.0.1 Giant desert centipede
- 0.1 Pronghorn
- 0.0.2 Rock dove
- 0.0.1 Southern tamandua
- 1.0 Sugar glider
- 0.1 Tamaulipan rock rattlesnake