

**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
BOARD AGENDA LETTER**



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Agenda Number:
Prepared on: 5/6/04
Department Name: Sheriff
Department No.: 032
Agenda Date: 06/01/04
Placement: Administrative
Estimate Time:
Continued Item: NO
If Yes, date from:

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Sheriff Jim Anderson
Sheriff Department

STAFF CONTACT: Commander Sam Gross, Information Services Bureau
805-681-4286

SUBJECT: Renewal of contract with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department for the transportation of prisoners within California to the Santa Barbara County Jail

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

Approve a five-year contract with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, for the transportation of prisoners from other jails in California to the Santa Barbara County Jail, effective July 1, 2004, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 annually.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendation(s) are primarily aligned with Goal No. 3. A Strong, Professionally Managed County Organization.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

Subjects are frequently arrested or detained in jurisdictions throughout the State of California on the authority of warrants issued from the County of Santa Barbara. The County of Santa Barbara Sheriff's Department is responsible for the transportation of said prisoners from the location where they are in custody to the County of Santa Barbara. This process involves considerable cost.

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department operates a statewide prisoner transportation system with scheduled weekly trips throughout the State of California. Through this contract, we grant the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department the authority to transport these prisoners on our behalf. The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Transportation Bureau provides prisoner transportation within the State of California for the Sheriff's Department at a rate that our own transportation unit cannot duplicate. Without this contract, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department will stop transporting prisoners for Santa Barbara County thereby causing the County of Santa Barbara, Sheriff's Department to transport prisoners from other California counties at greater expense.

Mandates and Service Levels:

A contract of this kind is authorized by Section 26775 of the California Government Code, Title 3, Division 2, Part 3, Chapter, 2, Article 8.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

The annual cost paid to the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department for prisoner transportation over the past 4 years has been \$8750. This contract renewal shows an increase from \$.17 per prisoner per mile to a new rate of \$.055 per prisoner per mile. It also increases prisoner meals from \$5.71 to a new rate of \$6.17 per meal. This dramatic contract increase is due to operating cost increases in fuel and personnel. By utilizing Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Transportation Bureau it is estimated that the County of Santa Barbara, Sheriff's Department will spend \$20,300 to transport our prisoners from other counties in the state to the Santa Barbara County Jail. We estimate that we would save about \$600,000 annually by utilizing this service, rather than providing our own transportation.

Special Instructions:

Please return all three signed contracts and a certified copy of the Board action to:

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Santa Barbara, CA 93160-6427

Concurrence:

Risk Management
County Counsel
Auditor-Controller