



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER**

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Submitted on:
(COB Stamp)

Department Name: Sheriff-Coroner
Department No.: 032
For Agenda Of: February 13, 2024
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Sheriff's Office Sheriff Bill Brown (805-681-4290)
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SUBJECT: **FY 2021-2022 & 2022-2023 Sheriff's Voluntary Response Supplemental Law Enforcement Agreements Reports**

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Receive and file the fiscal year 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 reports of Sheriff's Voluntary Response (SVR) supplemental law enforcement agreements, as required by Resolution No. 19-2; and
- b) Determine that the approval of the recommended action is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(5), since the action is a government administrative activity which does not involve commitment to any specific project which may result in potentially significant physical impact on the environment.

Summary Text:

This item is before the Board to receive and file the fiscal year 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 reports of SVR supplemental law enforcement agreements, as required by Resolution No. 19-2. On January 8, 2019, the Board approved Resolution No. 19-2, which authorizes the Sheriff to execute SVR agreements with certain conditions: 1) Review and approval by County Counsel, Risk Management, and the Auditor-Controller; 2) in an amount under \$50,000 for the term of the agreement; and 3) the term of the agreement is no more than three (3) years with an agreed upon option between the Sheriff's Office and the Customer for two (2) additional one (1) year terms. In addition, the Resolution requires a comprehensive list of all executed SVR agreements to be presented to the Board annually. The Sheriff's Office regrets that the SVR agreements for fiscal year 2021-2022 were inadvertently not previously reported, but in order to avoid any gaps in reporting those agreements are being included in the report of SVR agreements for fiscal year 2022-2023.

Background:

The Santa Barbara County Sheriff’s Office has historically averaged over fifty (50) SVR agreements for supplemental law enforcement services per year that are for reoccurring or single, temporary events. However, changes in FY 2020-2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic limited the number of events in the community, thus decreasing the number of contracts over the last three fiscal years. These agreements are commonly referred to as “SVR” agreements, and many are simply supplemental law enforcement services of current agreements the Sheriff’s Office has with its four contract cities and school districts. The Sheriff’s Contract Services Bureau had five SVR events in fiscal year 2021-2022 and twelve SVR events in fiscal year 2022-2023 that were not supplemental services and therefore are being reported per Resolution 19-2. Multiple events, including music festivals, concerts, and private events typically of a relatively short duration, may be staffed by means of a single agreement with an event organizer.

SVR events are staffed on a strictly voluntary basis, and only by deputies who are not working their regularly assigned duties. In managing Sheriff’s staff, priority is given to a deputy’s primary assignment, and SVR events are only staffed by deputies who would otherwise be off-duty. As such, these SVR events have less of an impact on the Sheriff’s overall staffing levels.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Partial

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>FY2021/2022:</u>	<u>FY2022/2023:</u>
General Fund		
State		
Federal		
Fees		
Other: Contract		
Reimbursement	\$ 79,150.09	\$ 79,769.96
Total	\$ 79,150.09	\$ 79,769.96

Narrative:

While some SVR events can be anticipated to reoccur in future fiscal years and are budgeted for, many are one-time occurrences and are not guaranteed to occur in subsequent fiscal years and therefore cannot be budgeted. In either case, full cost recovery for these events is obtained by invoicing the organizer of each event for actual cost, plus applicable indirect costs.

Key Contract Risks:

Contract risk is low based on the Sheriff’s Office historic experience and prior contractual relationships with many of these organizations. SVR contracts also require that organizations indemnify the County.

Staffing Impacts:

There is no staffing impact as these events are staffed utilizing existing Sheriff staff on a voluntary basis.

Attachments:

Attachment A: Fiscal Year 2021-2022 SVR Supplemental Law Enforcement Agreements Report Executed and Approved by the Sheriff Pursuant to the Authority of Resolution No. 19-2

Attachment B: Fiscal Year 2022-2023 SVR Supplemental Law Enforcement Agreements Report Executed and Approved by the Sheriff Pursuant to the Authority of Resolution No. 19-2

Authored by:

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