

**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY  
BOARD AGENDA LETTER**



Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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**Agenda Number:**  
**Prepared on:**  
**Department Name:** SHERIFF-CORONER &  
SUPERIOR COURT.  
**Department No.:** 032 & 825  
**Agenda Date:** March 28, 2006  
**Placement:** Administrative  
**Estimate Time:**  
**Continued Item:** NO  
**If Yes, date from:**

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Jim Anderson, Sheriff  
Sheriff-Coroner  
Rodney S. Melville  
Superior Court Presiding Judge

**STAFF CONTACT:** Cmdr. Jeff Meyer  
x4136  
Gary M. Blair  
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**SUBJECT:** Approval of Agreement between the Superior Court of Santa Barbara County and the County of Santa Barbara for Provision of Court Security for FY 2005-2006

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**Recommendation(s):**

That the Board of Supervisors: Approve and execute an agreement with the Superior Court of Santa Barbara County for the Sheriff's Department to Provide Court Security Services at County Court facilities.

**Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:**

The recommendation(s) are primarily aligned with Goal No. 2. A Safe and Healthy Community in Which to Live, Work, and Visit.

**Executive Summary and Discussion:**

The Sheriff provides security to the Superior Court of Santa Barbara County as specified in Government Code Section 69222. This security is most usually in the form of bailiffs in the various criminal, civil, and juvenile courts within the County as well as personnel who staff the holding facilities located within court facilities.

Pursuant to Government Code Section 69926 (b), the Superior Court and the Sheriff are required to enter into an annual or multiyear memorandum of understanding specifying the agreed upon level of court security services, cost of services, and terms of payment. The execution of this agreement will bring the Superior Court and Sheriff in compliance with this requirement.

The Superior Court of Santa Barbara County is funded for court security through the State of California Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC). The Santa Barbara Superior Court has been funded \$4,668,885,

for FY 2005-2006. It is estimated that this amount will cover all chargeable costs the Sheriff's Department incurs for providing security to the courts.

**Mandates and Service Levels:**

Government Code Sections 69920 through 69927 set forth requirements for court security and the authority for the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court to enter into an agreement with the Sheriff for court security.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

The Superior Court of Santa Barbara County has been allocated \$4,668,885 for FY 2005-2006. It is projected this amount will offset billable costs incurred by the Sheriff's Department to provide security. No changes to the FY 05-06 budget will be required.

**Special Instructions:**

Please provide a copy of the Minute Order to Cmdr. Jeff Meyer, Sheriff's Department and to Gary Blair, Superior Court Executive Officer.

**Concurrence:**

County Counsel