

# Memorandum



**Date:** January 21, 2009

**To:** Honorable Joseph Centeno, Chairman,  
and Members, Board of Supervisors

**From:** Michael F. Brown, County Executive Officer

**Subject:** Departmental Item #8 January 27, 2009

**CC:** Dennis Marshall, County Counsel

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As noted in my memo provided to the Board of Supervisors on January 16, the firm of Fairbanks, Maslin, Maullin & Associates was recently retained by the County to conduct polling regarding jail and public safety funding options. The poll was conducted starting January 17, and concluded on Tuesday January 20. Staff is presently reviewing results, conferring with selected consultant and preparing board letter for the meeting of January 27, 2009. Staff is working to ensure that this item is delivered for the meeting of the 27th since the range of options available, and the potential for a State Special Election occurring in May of 2009, decisions relating to this matter may need to be made no later than the Board of Supervisors meeting of February 3, 2009. The board letter will be distributed on Friday January 23, 2009.