



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Santa Barbara, CA 93101
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Department Name: Sheriff
Department No.: 032
For Agenda Of: March 16, 2021
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Bill Brown, Sheriff-Coroner (ext. 14290)
Director(s)
Contact Info: Rick Zepf, Lieutenant (Ext. 14052)

SUBJECT: **Intrastate Transport of Prisoners with the County of Ventura Sheriff's Office**

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute an Agreement of Services for Intrastate Transport of Prisoners with the County of Ventura Sheriff's Office for the transportation of prisoners from other correctional facilities within California to County of Santa Barbara Sheriff's Correctional Facilities, effective July 1, 2020; 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 recommended 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:

People 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 Santa Barbara Sheriff's Office is responsible for the transportation of said people from the location where they are in custody to the

County of Santa Barbara. The process involves considerable staffing resources and transportation related costs.

The Santa Barbara and Ventura County Sheriffs' Offices operate similar transportation systems with unscheduled weekly trips throughout Southern California. Through this agreement, we grant the Ventura County Sheriff's Office the authority to transport these prisoners on our behalf and subsequently, we will transport on their behalf as this is a reciprocity of services. This agreement with the Ventura County Sheriff's Office will be a "no expense" Quid Pro Quo agreement that will financially benefit both the County of Santa Barbara and County of Ventura with transportation related expenses.

Background:

A formal prisoner transport agreement between the County of Santa Barbara Sheriff's Office and the County of Ventura Sheriff's Office has been years in the making. Often times, both Sheriff entities will be at the same facility to pick up different prisoners where one of these entities could have completed a single transport. Due to the geographic proximity of the named Counties, it makes financial sense to have an agreement that is not financially binding. An agreement of this kind is authorized by California Government Code Section 26775 et seq.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

None

Narrative:

This agreement between both Sheriffs' Offices will be mutually beneficial as there will be no expenses charged by either entity.

Special Instructions:

Clerk of the Board: Please send one (2) executed copy for Intrastate Transportation of Prisoners to Lt. Rick Zepf, Sheriff's Office.

Attachments:

- A. Signed Agreement by and between County of Ventura and County of Santa Barbara for Intrastate Transportation of Prisoners.
- B. Agreement by and between County of Ventura and County of Santa Barbara for Intrastate Transportation of Prisoners.

Authored by:

Rick Zepf, Lieutenant –County of Santa Barbara Sheriff's Office, Custody Support Division

