



Board of County Commissioners

2401 SE Monterey Road
Stuart, Florida 34996

Agenda Item Summary

File ID: 22-0141

CNST-14

Meeting Date: 10/19/2021

PLACEMENT: Consent

TITLE:

REQUEST APPROVAL OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH ST. LUCIE COUNTY FOR PRETRIAL PROGRAM SERVICES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Martin County and St. Lucie County entered into an Interlocal Agreement dated September 18, 2018, to provide for implementation by St. Lucie County of a pretrial release program for Martin County pretrial defendants. On July 30, 2019, the Interlocal Agreement was amended to extend the term by one year with an expiration date of September 30, 2020. The Sheriff has requested approval of a Second Amendment to extend the term of the Interlocal Agreement by one year until September 30, 2021.

DEPARTMENT: County Attorney

PREPARED BY: Name: Sarah W. Woods
Title: County Attorney

REQUESTED BY: Sheriff's Office

PRESET:

PROCEDURES: None

BACKGROUND/RELATED STRATEGIC GOAL:

Martin County's Public Safety Coordinating Council met with representatives from St. Lucie County's Pretrial Release Program to discuss St. Lucie County's Program and the implementation of such a program in Martin County. St. Lucie County's program has successfully operated for many years and provides enhanced supervision and availability of GPS electronic monitoring awaiting disposition of criminal charges. The Public Safety Council unanimously voted to recommend transmittal of the pretrial release program to the Board of County Commissioners on October 23, 2017. Martin County Sheriff's Office and St. Lucie County developed an Interlocal Agreement which provides for the implementation by St. Lucie County's pretrial release program of a pretrial release program for pretrial defendants in Martin County. The Sheriff will administer the program with St. Lucie County staff. The initial term of the Interlocal was for one year, ending September 30, 2019. The First Amendment extended the term until September 30, 2020. The Sheriff has requested approval of a Second Amendment which will extend the Interlocal's term by one year. The annual base cost has increased by \$29,000 due in part to salary increases. In addition, if the number of defendants enrolled in the program exceeds 50 defendants per week for six weeks, St. Lucie County is

authorized to hire an additional pretrial officer for the Martin County Program which will increase the cost by \$91,708.32 to be prorated in accordance with the remaining term and will also require a one-time onboarding fee for the additional officer of \$4,443.31.

Agreement

1. Agreement drafted by: Martin County and St. Lucie County
2. Parties' to the Agreement: Martin County and St. Lucie County
3. Purpose of the Agreement: To provide pretrial release program services to Martin County defendants
4. New/Modification: This is the second amendment
5. Duration: One year, expires September 30, 2022
6. Benefits to Martin County: Reduction in inmate population and operating costs of Martin County jail; allows pretrial defendants to work
7. Cost to Martin County: Two hundred and ninety-nine thousand five hundred dollars (\$299,500) for one year and potentially an additional \$96,151.63 dependent on enrollment.

ISSUES:

None

LEGAL SUFFICIENCY REVIEW:

This item has been reviewed for legal sufficiency to determine whether it is consistent with applicable law, has identified and addressed legal risks, and has developed strategies for legal defensibility.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECOMMENDATION

Move that the Board approve the proposed Second Amendment to Interlocal Agreement and authorize execution by the Chair.

ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

Pull this item from the Consent Agenda and provide staff direction.

FISCAL IMPACT:

RECOMMENDATION

The funds are included within the 2021-2022 proposed budget.

Funding Source	County Funds	Non-County Funds
General Fund	\$299,500	
Subtotal		
Project Total		

ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

None

DOCUMENT(S) REQUIRING ACTION:

Budget Transfer / Amendment Chair Letter Contract / Agreement

Grant / Application Notice Ordinance Resolution

Other:

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