



STAFF REPORT

CITY of YORBA LINDA

ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

DATE: MAY 16, 2023

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: DAVID CHRISTIAN, ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: NEW FIVE-YEAR AGREEMENT FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES WITH THE ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council Approve a new five-year agreement for law enforcement services with the Orange County Sheriff's Department beginning with fiscal year 2023-24.

BACKGROUND

In July 2012 the City entered into a five-year agreement with the Orange County Sheriff's Department (OCSD) for the provision of law enforcement services through June 30, 2018. In May 2018 the City Council approved a new five-year agreement with OCSD through June 30, 2023. On May 2, 2022 the City Council approved the fifth amendment to the current agreement establishing the levels of service and costs for FY 22-23. At that meeting the Council also gave direction to staff to begin discussions with OCSD for a new five-year agreement beginning with FY 23-24, and to bring the item back at a subsequent Council meeting.

DISCUSSION

The new agreement incorporates all the provisions of the previous agreement as well as the amendments. The only change to service levels or staffing is the addition of a Community Service Officer (CSO). The addition of this non-sworn CSO will allow the Deputies to remain on patrol more often by alleviating some of their other duties like parking enforcement, traffic collision reports, dealing with abandoned vehicles and assisting with routine traffic hazard calls. In addition, the Deputy added in 2017 as part of the City's membership in the North Orange County Public Safety Collaborative, continues to be included in the new agreement with funding through the Collaborative.

FISCAL IMPACT

The first-year cost estimate of the five-year law enforcement services agreement is \$13,444,026. This represents a decrease of \$69,096 or 0.5% below the FY 22-23 annual cost, due to some slight reductions in some operational costs. However, it should be noted

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that the current cost estimate does not include any salary or benefit increases for any of the bargaining units due to the ongoing labor negotiations which are not anticipated to conclude until later this year. Staff anticipates bringing back a first amendment to this new five-year agreement once those costs are made available by OCSD. However, based on discussions with other OCSD contract cities, staff has included an 8% labor increase in the first year and a 6% labor increase in the second year of the upcoming two-year budget. Should the actual amounts exceed that, we will request a subsequent appropriation at mid-year and mid-term.

ALTERNATIVES

Do not approve the new agreement with OCSD and direct staff to issue a Request for Proposals for law enforcement services.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1.) New Five-Year Agreement for Law Enforcement Services With OCSD
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