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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

# REQUEST TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS FOR CALIFORNIA MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL METHAMPHETAMINE ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM (ALL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

# **SUBJECT**

Request Board approval authorizing the Sheriff of Los Angeles County (County) to execute various agreements for the California Multi-Jurisdictional Methamphetamine Enforcement (Cal-MMET) Program, funded by Local Law Enforcement Service Account (LESA) as part of Fiscal Year (FY) 2011-12 Public Safety Realignment (PSR) Funds. These funds are distributed by the California State Controller's Office (SCO) and will be contingent upon the availability of funds.

# IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Delegate authority to the Sheriff, as an agent for the County, to (1) execute an Operational Agreement for Cal-MMET Program with participating agencies governing the policies and procedures for the operation of the Cal-MMET Task Force, which is funded in part with FY 2011-12 PSR Funds; (2) execute individual funding agreements to transfer FY 2011-12 PSR Funds to participating agencies, which include the cities of Culver City, Glendale, and La Verne, for reimbursement of personnel costs; and (3) execute amendments to such agreements as necessary for the administration and continuation of the Cal-MMET Program.

2. Delegate authority to the Sheriff to enter into and amend all Cal-MMET Program Agreements funded by PSR Funds, including but not limited to, funding agreements, operational agreements, memorandum of understanding, joint operational agreements, and/or contracts with other County and public entities, in future fiscal years, as necessary or desirable to support the Cal-MMET Program, provided PSR Funds are available.

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3. Delegate authority to the Sheriff or his designee to execute reimbursement requests as necessary for the Cal-MMET Program as funded by PSR.

# PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to obtain Board approval to delegate authority to the Sheriff to execute various agreements for the administration and continuation of the Cal-MMET Program. The Cal-MMET Program is comprised of a team of investigators from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (Department), as well as outside agencies within the County. This team of investigators is utilized to target and eradicate methamphetamine manufacturers and traffickers who produce and/or sell significant quantities of methamphetamine, including trafficking of precursor chemicals within the Los Angeles area, with the ultimate goal of dismantling these organizations.

The Department has received PSR Funds in the amount of \$1,359,440 for the Cal-MMET Program for FY 2011-12. These funds will be used to pay salary and employee benefits, including overtime to Department personnel, services and supplies, and for services provided by participating agencies.

The funding allocation is provided below for each participating agency.

Department Funding Allocation Total - \$1,110,898

- Salary and Employee Benefits \$1,050,662
- Computers \$11,350
- Office Supplies \$4,906
- Surveillance Equipment \$43,980

Participating Agency Funding Allocation Total - \$248,542

- Culver City \$74,605
- Glendale \$98,584
- La Verne \$75,353

#### Background

The Department is in its seventh year of receiving grant funds from California Emergency Management Agency (CalEMA). In recent years CalEMA began supporting the Cal-MMET Program with State Local Safety and Protection Account (LSPA) funds through LESA. LESA is derived from a combination of the Vehicle License Fee paid on automobile registrations and a Special Fund Sales Tax, and is therefore contingent upon revenue generated.

In previous years, the delegation of authority for the Sheriff to execute the various Cal-MMET Program Agreements was sought at the time of the Board's acceptance of the Cal-MMET grant funds. Since the funds are now distributed through LESA, this separate Board action is required.

#### Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

Approval of the recommended action is consistent with the County's Strategic Plan, Goal 1, Operational Effectiveness, to maximize the effectiveness of the County's processes, structure, and The Honorable Board of Supervisors 5/21/2013 Page 3

operations to support timely delivery of customer-oriented and efficient public services; Goal 2, Fiscal Sustainability, to strengthen and enhance the County's capacity to sustain essential County services through proactive and prudent fiscal policies and stewardship; and Goal 3, Integrated Services Delivery, to maximize opportunities to measurably improve client and community outcomes and leverage resources through the continuous integration of health, community, and public safety services.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

There will be no impact to net County costs. The PSR funds will be distributed directly to the County's Department of Auditor-Controller (AC) on a quarterly basis contingent upon the availability of SCO funds for the Cal-MMET Program.

# FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Beginning with FY 2011-12, PSR funds were distributed directly from the SCO to the County's AC on a quarterly basis, and will be contingent upon the availability of SCO funds for the Cal-MMET Program.

This Board letter has been reviewed by County Counsel.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

The Alternate Public Defender stated acceptance of these funds will continue to increase their workload and believes they can manage this impact with their current resources. The Public Defender stated this program will have minimal impact on their services. No response has been received from the District Attorney's Office.

#### **CONCLUSION**

Following Board approval, the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board is requested to return two individually certified copies of the adopted Board letter with wet signatures to the Sheriff Department's Grants Unit.

Sincerely,

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