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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

## APPROVAL OF A MODIFICATION TO CONTRACT NUMBER 76708 WITH SENTINEL OFFENDER SERVICES TO PROVIDE AN ELECTRONIC MONITORING VIA GLOBAL POSITIONING SATELLITE (GPS) SERVICES PROGRAM

# (ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

# SUBJECT

Approval of a contract modification for the County of Los Angeles Probation Department to extend the electronic monitoring program via global positioning satellite contract on behalf of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

# IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Delegate authority to the Chief Probation Officer to prepare and execute a modification to contract number 76708 with Sentinel Offender Services, LLC (Contractor) to continue providing an Electronic Monitoring Via Global Positioning Satellite (GPS) Services Program for the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) on an as-needed basis at an estimated amount of \$245,000 commencing August 15, 2013 through February 14, 2014, upon approval as to form by County Counsel.

2. Delegate authority to the Chief Probation Officer to terminate the modification, in whole or in part, once LASD has completed their solicitation and entered into an agreement for its own electronic monitoring contract.

## PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

On September 9, 2008, the Board approved the County of Los Angeles Probation Department (Probation) and LASD to serve as co-correctional administers of the electronic monitoring program services.

On February 3, 2009, the Board approved a modification to allow LASD to utilize Probation's Electronic Monitoring via (GPS) Services contract for six (6) months with a six (6) month option so that LASD may utilize the services while conducting their own competitive solicitation process.

On February 2, 2010, the Board delegated authority to the Chief Probation Officer to modify the Electronic Monitoring via GPS on behalf of LASD for a twelve (12) month period with an option to extend for an additional six (6) month period. This modification allowed LASD to utilize the services while they continued to conduct their own competitive solicitation process.

On July 19, 2011, the Board delegated authority to the Chief Probation Officer to modify the Electronic Monitoring via GPS on behalf of LASD for a six (6) month period with a six (6) month option. This modification allowed LASD to continue to utilize the services while proceeding with their competitive solicitation process.

On July 3, 2012, the Board delegated authority to the Chief Probation Officer to modify the Electronic Monitoring via GPS on behalf of LASD for a six (6) month period. This modification allowed LASD to continue to utilize the services while proceeding with their competitive solicitation process. The Board was advised that LASD would likely need to request an additional extension in order to complete the solicitation process.

On January 29, 2013, the Board delegated authority to the Chief Probation Officer to modify the Electronic Monitoring via GPS on behalf of LASD for a six (6) month period. This modification allowed LASD to continue to utilize the services while proceeding with their competitive solicitation process.

The purpose of the recommended actions is to obtain approval of a modification to contract number 76708 with Sentinel Offender Services, LLC to continue providing an Electronic Monitoring via GPS Services Program for LASD. The modification will allow LASD to continue utilizing these services while LASD completes the negotiation process with the highest scoring proposer.

Probation and LASD will provide oversight of the Contractor and will ensure accountability for the services provided. The proposed contract modification will commence on August 15, 2013, and continue through February 14, 2014. The Chief Probation Officer will have delegated authority to terminate this extension, in whole or in part, at the sole discretion of County once LASD has completed their solicitation process and entered into an agreement for its own electronic monitoring via GPS technology.

#### Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended actions are consistent with the Countywide Strategic Plan, Goal #1 (Operational Effectiveness). Implementation of the recommendations will enhance LASD's ability to monitor those

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released in this program, thus decreasing the inmate population.

## **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The cost of the six month contract modification is estimated at \$245,000 and funding is included in LASD's FY 2013-2014 budget.

The price per GPS unit will range from \$3.89 to \$9.60 and is dependent on the level of monitoring and number of inmates placed in the program.

The contract includes provisions for non-appropriation of funds and budget reductions.

## FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The Contractor will provide consultation, monitoring, equipment, installation and removal, support services and custom reports for the GPS monitoring of probationers/participants when requested.

The Contractor agrees to give first consideration to hire permanent County employees targeted for layoff, or qualified former County employees who are on a re-employment list after the effective date of this contract and during the life of the contract.

In accordance with the Chief Executive Office memorandum dated October 6, 1997, this contract contains County requirements regarding the hiring of participants of the GAIN/GROW program, and jury service.

In accordance with the Auditor-Controller memorandum dated March 2, 2000, this contract contains County requirements regarding contractor non-responsibility and debarment.

There is no departmental employee relations impact since this is not a Proposition A contract. Probation has evaluated and determined that the Living Wage Program (County Code Chapter 2.201) does not apply to the recommended contract.

LASD will not request the Contractor to perform services that exceed the Board approved contract amount, scope of work, and/or contract term.

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

Approval of the recommended actions will continue the County's efforts to ensure that service delivery systems are efficient, effective, and goal-oriented. Specifically, this project will enhance LASD's ability to reduce the inmate population.

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Respectfully submitted,

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