



# REPORT TO COUNCIL

## City of Sacramento

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CONSENT  
December 9, 2008

Honorable Mayor and  
Members of the City Council

**Title:** Agreement: Sacramento County for Assignment of Deputy Sheriffs

**Location/Council District:** Citywide

**Recommendation:** Adopt a **Resolution:** 1) authorizing the City Manager or City Manager's designee to execute a one-year agreement, with up to two one-year renewal options, with the County of Sacramento retroactive to July 1, 2008, for a total amount not to exceed \$477,147 for the assignment of deputy sheriffs to the Department of Parks and Recreation's Alternative Sentencing Program.

**Contact:** Daniel Giammona, Park Operations Manager, 808-4070  
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**Presenters:** Not Applicable

**Department:** Parks and Recreation

**Division:** Park Operations

**Organization No:** 4756

### Description/Analysis

**Issue:** The Department of Parks and Recreation contracts with Sacramento County Sheriff's Department for deputy sheriff assignment to the Park Operations Division's Alternative Sentencing Program. Due to delays in the negotiation process with Sacramento County, the City's agreement with the Sheriff's Department expired on June 30, 2008, but an agreement for FY2008/09 was not executed. As a result, the County has continued to provide, and the City has continued to accept, the services of deputy sheriffs for the Alternative Sentencing Program without an agreement since July 1, 2008.

Due to the long-standing good relationship between the City and County and the fact that the County has provided, and the City has accepted, a valuable service, staff requests City Council approve a one-year agreement, with up to two one-year renewal options, with the County of Sacramento retroactive to July 1, 2008, for an amount not to exceed \$477,147 for the assignment of deputy sheriffs to

the Department of Parks and Recreation's Alternative Sentencing Program.

**Policy Considerations:** The partnership with the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department to provide oversight and supervision of the Alternative Sentencing Program is consistent with the City's strategic plan to enhance sustainability and liveability and to expand economic development throughout the City of Sacramento.

Using creative strategies to finance park maintenance service delivery is consistent with the policies the City Council adopted *2005-2010 Parks and Recreation Master Plan* including:

**Policy 6.1:** Develop and implement financing strategies that provide for the meeting of Department Service Level Goals for all capital, maintenance, programming, staffing and operational needs from dedicated sources to the maximum extent possible, including new and innovative approaches, as approved by elected officials and/or the electorate as needed.

**Environmental Considerations:**

**California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA):** Activities performed by the Alternative Sentencing Program participants are service related, will not have any significant effects on the environment, are not considered a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) [CEQA Guidelines Sections 15061(b)(3); 15378(b)(2)], and do not require further environmental review.

**Sustainability Considerations:** There are no sustainability considerations applicable to this agreement or program.

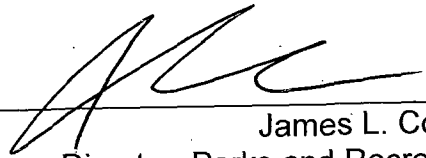
**Commission/Committee Action:** None with this item.

**Rationale for Recommendation:** The Alternative Sentencing Program has proven to be an effective resource in community clean-ups and the mitigation of neighborhood blight in commercial corridors citywide. Approval of the retroactive agreement will continue the good relationship with the County for provision of the program's valuable services.

**Financial Considerations:** The Park Operations Division has funding designated for the Alternative Sentencing Program and will finance program costs from its annual General Fund budget.

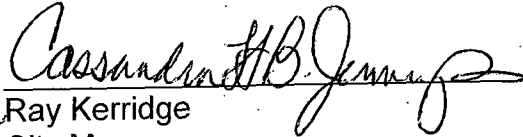
**Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD):** Not applicable. The Sacramento County Sheriff's Department is the only vendor for these services.

Approved by:



James L. Combs  
Director, Parks and Recreation

Recommendation Approved:



Ray Kerridge  
City Manager

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**ATTACHMENT 1**

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

**Program Information**

For approximately 20 years, the City's Park Operations Division and the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department have worked jointly on community clean-ups of vacant lots, commercial corridors, alleys, creeks and open space utilizing labor from individuals who were convicted of misdemeanor crimes and sentenced to Sacramento County jail. Upon recommendation from the Court, the Sheriff's Department exercises its discretion to accept the Court's recommendation of these individuals into the work project, or "Alternative Sentencing Program."

The Alternative Sentencing inmate work crew consists of nonviolent misdemeanor offenders, a Sacramento County Sheriff's Deputy, a City of Sacramento Park Maintenance Worker II and a Park Maintenance Worker. The work crew is assigned to various locations throughout the City 260 days a year Tuesday through Saturday, 7:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

The Alternative Sentencing inmate work crew has proven to be an effective resource in the mitigation of neighborhood blight in commercial corridors and public areas. The Mayor/Council Office, City staff and Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency frequently request the services of the work crew for projects throughout the City.

## **RESOLUTION NO.**

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

### **APPROVING A ONE-YEAR AGREEMENT, WITH UP TO TWO ONE-YEAR RENEWAL OPTIONS, WITH THE COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO FOR THE ASSIGNMENT OF DEPUTY SHERIFFS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION'S ALTERNATIVE SENTENCING PROGRAM.**

#### **BACKGROUND**

- A. For approximately 20 years, the City's Park Operations Division and the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department have worked jointly on community clean-up of vacant lots, commercial corridors, alleys, creeks and open space utilizing labor from individuals who were convicted of misdemeanor crimes and sentenced to County jail.
- B. Due to delays in the negotiation process with Sacramento County, the City's agreement with the Sheriff's Department expired on June 30, 2008, but an agreement for FY2008/09 was not executed. As a result, the County has continued to provide, and the City has continued to accept, the services of deputy sheriffs for the Alternative Sentencing Program without an agreement since July 1, 2008.
- C. The Sacramento County Sheriff's Department has assigned deputy sheriffs to the Department of Parks and Recreation Alternative Sentencing Program in good faith without an agreement during FY2008/09 while the parties have negotiated the terms of a new agreement. To continue the good relationship with the County, and to continue to provide the County's valuable services to the City of Sacramento, the County is owed compensation for peace officer services rendered to the City's Alternative Sentencing Program in FY2008/09, the cost of which will not exceed \$149,554 in FY2008/09.

#### **BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

- Section 1. The City Manager or City Manager's designee is authorized to execute a one-year agreement, with up to two one-year renewal options, with the County of Sacramento retroactive to July 1, 2008, for a total amount not to exceed \$477,147 for the assignment of deputy sheriffs to the Department of Parks and Recreation's Alternative Sentencing Program.