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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Janice Donovan for JOHN ROBERTSON JR. - Sheriff-Coroner
Sheriff
REPORT BY: Janice Donovan, Sheriff's Administrative Manager - 259-8674
SUBJECT: Amendment No. 1 to Agreement 7767 with WATTCO Equipment, Inc.

RECOMMENDATION

Sheriff requests approval of and authorization for the Chairman to sign Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. 7767 with WATTCO Equipment, Inc. increasing the maximum amount by \$100,000 for a new maximum of \$200,000 and extending the term through June 30, 2014, with an automatic renewal provision, to provide for equipment purchases, installation and removal of technical equipment for the Sheriff's Department vehicles.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Due to the discontinuation of the Ford Crown Victoria vehicles, all replacement vehicles will require new technical equipment to be installed. Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. 7767 with WATTCO Equipment, Inc. will provide vital equipment, installation and removal of specialized equipment for Sheriff's Department vehicles.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	Sheriff
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Mandatory
Is the general fund affected?	Yes
Future fiscal impact:	This is an ongoing expense, appropriations will be budgeted accordingly in future fiscal years.

Consequences if not approved: If this amendment is not approved, replacement Sheriff's Department vehicles will not be able to function as patrol vehicles. Without specialized equipment like radios, lights and computer data equipment, deputies would be unable to do their jobs.

Additional Information:

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

WATTCO Equipment, Inc. is used for the building and decommissioning of law enforcement vehicles. This company orders and installs technical equipment (light bars, center consoles, gun racks, prisoner seats, partitions, radios, Mobile Data Computers, cameras, etc.). The company also evaluates the condition of each vehicle's equipment as needed to determine if the current equipment is no longer serviceable or a potential hazard.

The manufacturing of the standard patrol car (Ford Crown Victoria Interceptor) has been discontinued. The Department critiqued several vehicles to serve as replacements including models from Ford, Chevrolet and Dodge. After evaluating many factors including the need for additional training and background of the County mechanics, the ability to purchase locally, and the physical space within the vehicle, the Sheriff's Department ultimately determined that the Ford Explorer Interceptor would be the most efficient choice for the County. The vehicles will be replaced according to the established fleet replacement process.

The current vehicle equipment would not be interchangeable with any of the new vehicles considered, and as a result, as vehicles are replaced all technical equipment will need to be purchased new and installed including center partition (cage, front and back), trunk tray foot plate that the center console sits on, plastic back seat, light bars, wiring harness, etc. As the equipment can no longer be transferred between cars, the cost for upfitting each new vehicle has increased and the contract amount with WATTCO needs to be increased. The increase to \$200,000 is a maximum contract amount. The Department anticipates costs between \$150,000 and \$200,000 annually for the next several years as the fleet is fully replaced with the new vehicles. After that time, equipment will be able to be exchanged between the new standard Ford Explorer Interceptors.

This type of service is mandatory for the Sheriff's Department to maintain it's vehicles and provide service to the community. There is no local vendor that can provide this service .

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Liz Habkirk