

**County of San Diego Board of Supervisors  
AGENDA ITEM INFORMATION SHEET**

**AGENDA ITEM SUBJECT/TITLE:**

SHERIFF - REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION FOR PHARMACY SERVICES AT DETENTION FACILITIES (DISTRICTS: ALL)

**REQUIRES FOUR VOTES:**

Yes ☐ No ☒

**WRITTEN DISCLOSURE PER COUNTY CHARTER SECTION §1000.1 REQUIRED:**

Yes ☐ No ☒

**NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED:**

Yes ☐ No ☒

**PROJECT UNDER CEQA:**

Yes ☐ No ☒

If Yes, approval of CEQA document required?

Yes ☐ No ☒

**DECISION WITHIN GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 84308:**

Yes ☐ No ☒

**PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOARD ACTIONS:**

August 4, 2020 (1) - SHERIFF - Request to issue a competitive solicitation for health care services at detention facilities (Districts: All)

**BOARD POLICIES APPLICABLE:**

A-87 Competitive Procurement

**BOARD POLICY STATEMENTS:**

A-87 - Request to issue a competitive solicitation for pharmacy services for Sheriff's detention facilities.

Item or Service and Term Period: Procurement of pharmacy services for one initial year, nine option years, and a six-month extension, if needed, and to amend the contract as needed to reflect changes to service requirements and funding, subject to the approval of the Sheriff.

Benefits to the County of San Diego: On January 26, 2023, California received federal approval to offer Medicaid services to Medi-Cal eligible youths and adults in correctional facilities, to include county jails, for up to 90 days prior to release, also known as the Justice-Involved Reentry Initiative or Medi-Cal Transformation Initiative. Pharmacy services are required as per this initiative. The California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) require correctional facilities to obtain medications from a Medi-Cal enrolled pharmacy to receive reimbursement for these prescriptions. The Sheriff's current healthcare vendor providing pharmacy services is not a Medi-Cal enrolled pharmacy and has confirmed it will not seek enrollment. Continuing to use a non-enrolled pharmacy would render the County unable to comply with Medi-Cal billing requirements and preclude the ability to seek reimbursement for prescribed medications provided to incarcerated persons upon release.

Fair and Reasonable Pricing: Fair and Reasonable pricing will be determined through the result of a competitive solicitation.

**MANDATORY COMPLIANCE:**

N/A

**ORACLE AWARD NUMBER(S) AND CONTRACT AND/OR REQUISITION NUMBER(S):**

Pending

**ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT:** Sheriff's Office

**OTHER CONCURRENCE(S):** Department of Purchasing and Contracting

INTERNAL REVIEW COMPLETED:    YES ☒    NO ☐

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