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DATE: May 18, 2021

TO: Board of Supervisors

SUBJECT

SHERIFF – AUTHORIZE AGREEMENTS WITH THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA AND CITY OF SAN DIEGO FOR CALIFORNIA IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM SUPPORT POSITIONS (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

The California Identification System/Remote Access Network (Cal-ID/RAN) is a statewide system that provides local law enforcement agencies with direct access to local, state, and federal automated fingerprint, palm print, photo systems and databases. This statewide system allows for the rapid identification of persons booked into detention facilities and latent prints lifted from crime scenes. The Sheriff's Department serves as San Diego County's Cal-ID/RAN administrator.

The San Diego County Cal-ID/RAN Board is a regional policy and advisory board responsible for making recommendations regarding the use of Cal-ID funds. The RAN Board has made funding recommendations since 2007 for a program to employ staff in crime laboratories across the region as part of the program to process latent prints effectively and efficiently in the region and identify suspects. To ensure a continued success of the program, there is a need to continue to provide funding for staff at the Chula Vista Police Department and San Diego Police Department crime laboratories.

Today's request seeks approval to authorize agreements between the County of San Diego by and through the San Diego Sheriff's Department and the cities of Chula Vista and San Diego to provide funding from the Sheriff Fingerprint ID Trust Fund to the cities annually for Cal-ID support positions. The agreements period is July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, with automatic annual renewals up to a maximum of four additional years through June 30, 2026.

RECOMMENDATIONS SHERIFF

1. Authorize the Sheriff's Department (Sheriff) to execute a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the City of Chula Vista to provide an estimated cost of \$136,119 in annual funding for one full-time Latent Print Examiner position based on revenue from the Sheriff Fingerprint ID Trust Fund for the period of July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, with automatic annual renewals up to a maximum of four additional years through June 30, 2026, and to amend the MOA as needed to reflect changes to requirements and funding.

2. Authorize the Sheriff to execute a MOA with the City of San Diego to provide an estimated \$95,598 annually for one full-time Latent Print Examiner Aide position based on revenue from the Sheriff Fingerprint ID Trust Fund for the period of July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, with automatic annual renewals up to a maximum of four additional years through June 30, 2026, and to amend the MOA as needed to reflect changes to requirements and funding.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for these requests are included in the Fiscal Year 2021-22 CAO Recommended Operational Plan for the Sheriff's Department. If approved, these requests will result in future year estimated costs and revenue of \$231,717. The funding source is the Sheriff Fingerprint ID Trust Fund. Costs through the contract term, estimated at \$231,717 annually, will be included in future year Operational Plans for the Sheriff's Department. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ADVISORY BOARD STATEMENT

The San Diego County Cal-ID/Remote Access Network (RAN) Board is a regional policy and advisory board responsible for making recommendations to the Board of Supervisors regarding the use of Cal-ID funds. On May 22, 2020, the RAN Board authorized the use of Cal-ID revenue to continue to fund one full-time Latent Print Examiner position in the City of Chula Vista and one full-time Latent Print Examiner Aide position in the City of San Diego. The approved term for these positions is July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, with automatic annual renewals up to a maximum of four additional years through June 30, 2026.

BACKGROUND

The California Identification System (Cal-ID) is the automated system maintained by the Department of Justice for retaining fingerprint files and identifying latent fingerprints. Remote Access Network (RAN) is the uniform statewide network of equipment and procedures allowing local law enforcement agencies direct access to the Cal-ID system. It provides local law enforcement agencies with direct access to local, state, and federal automated fingerprint, palm print, photo systems and databases. This statewide system allows for the rapid identification of persons booked into detention facilities and latent prints lifted from crime scenes.

The Sheriff Fingerprint ID Trust Fund is funded through the collection of a \$1 fee for every vehicle registered in San Diego County by the Department of Motor Vehicles, as provided for under Vehicle Code Section 9250.19. Funds deposited in the Sheriff Fingerprint ID Trust Fund are collected countywide and expended solely for regional law enforcement forensic and fingerprint identification systems.

Quality latent prints identified and collected as crime scene evidence are entered into the Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) by crime laboratory staff. AFIS compares the latent prints to prints contained in the San Diego County regional and California Department of

Justice Cal-ID print databases. The searches contribute to the identification of potential suspects in crimes. As part of a program to effectively and efficiently process latent prints to identify suspects, the San Diego County Cal-ID/RAN Board has made funding recommendations since 2007. The continuation of funding for these positions will allow those cities' crime laboratories to efficiently process fingerprints to assist in case resolution. Personnel in these positions will continue to enter and search cases in AFIS. As part of this program, on May 22, 2020, the RAN Board authorized and approved the use of Cal-ID revenue from the Sheriff Fingerprint ID Trust Fund to continue to support positions in the cities of Chula Vista and San Diego.

This is a request to authorize agreements between the County of San Diego by and through the San Diego County Sheriff's Department and the cities of Chula Vista and San Diego to provide funding from the Sheriff Fingerprint ID Trust Fund to the cities annually for Cal-ID support positions. The agreements period is July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, with automatic annual renewals up to a maximum of four additional years through June 30, 2026. The cities will provide to the Cal-ID/RAN Board known compensation increases annually during the term of the agreements.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO STRATEGIC PLAN

Today's proposed actions support the Living Safely Strategic Initiative of the County of San Diego's 2021-2026 Strategic Plan by aiding in the identification and apprehension of individuals engaging in criminal behavior, resulting in a safer community.

Respectfully submitted,

William L. Are

WILLIAM D. GORE Sheriff

ATTACHMENT(S) N/A

AGENDA ITEM INFORMATION SHEET

REQUIRES FOUR VOTES: \Box Yes \boxtimes No

WRITTEN DISCLOSURE PER COUNTY CHARTER SECTION 1000.1 REQUIRED \Box Yes \boxtimes No

PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOARD ACTIONS:

October 27, 2020 (2) – Sheriff – Authorize Agreements with the City of El Cajon for California Identification System Support Position and Amend Agreement with City of Chula Vista to Eliminate Automated Fingerprint Identification System Entry Technician Position July 7, 2020 (3) – Sheriff – Authorize Agreement with the City of Escondido for California Identification System Support Position September 24, 2019 (3) – Sheriff's Department – Authorize Agreements with the cities of Oceanside, San Diego, and Escondido for California Identification System Support Positions June 4, 2019 (2) – Sheriff's Department – Request for Agreements with the cities of Chula Vista,

El Cajon, and Escondido for California Identification System Support Positions January 10, 2017 (1) – Sheriff's Department – Agreements with the City of Chula Vista and the City of Escondido for Cal-ID Support Positions

BOARD POLICIES APPLICABLE:

N/A

BOARD POLICY STATEMENTS: N/A

MANDATORY COMPLIANCE: N/A

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

PO 554431 PO 554434

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Sheriff's Department

OTHER CONCURRENCE(S): N/A

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