

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2026**

MINUTE ORDER NO. 9

SUBJECT: GENERAL SERVICES - APPROVE FIFTH AMENDMENT TO LEASE AGREEMENT FOR THE REGIONAL AUTO THEFT TASK FORCE (DISTRICT: 2)

OVERVIEW

The San Diego County Regional Auto Theft Task Force (RATT) is a multi-agency task force that investigates and prosecutes vehicle theft in the San Diego Region. The County of San Diego (County) is the financial administrator for the task force. On June 2, 1992 (20), the Board of Supervisors (Board) approved the initial lease for office space for RATT.

On August 6, 2019 (17), the Board authorized a site search for a new location as the current facility no longer met the operational requirements of RATT. A space validation conducted by the Department of General Services (DGS) supported a need of up to 21,500 square feet. DGS negotiated a short-term lease extension to allow RATT time to search for space that better suited its programmatic needs. The current facility no longer meets the operational requirements necessary to accommodate the current staffing needs. The County identified a facility owned by the current lessor's affiliate that meets RATT's requirements. The initial lease expired on April 30, 2025, and is currently on holdover, which has allowed RATT to continue its occupancy on a month-to-month basis while a relocation amendment was negotiated.

Staff from DGS have negotiated a fifth amendment to the lease agreement that will relocate RATT to a new facility and extend the term by ten years, with one five-year option to further extend the term. The proposed amendment also includes an expansion of 718 square feet. Today's request is for Board approval of the fifth amendment to the lease agreement, which will allow RATT to relocate to a new facility.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Find the proposed lease for the San Diego County Regional Auto Theft Task Force is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301.
2. Approve and authorize the Director, Department of General Services, to execute the proposed lease amendment for the new premises located in San Diego.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The San Diego County Regional Auto Theft Task Force supports the community in its current location. Extending the term of the lease would benefit the community by continuing to provide resources. A larger facility increases the availability of adequate programs and resources ensuring the community has equitable access to law enforcement resources.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Implementing effective sustainability objectives is crucial to ensuring safe and healthy communities and contributing to the overall success of the region. The approval of this lease amendment supports the County’s Strategic Initiative of Sustainability to ensure the capability to respond to immediate needs for individuals, families, and the region.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Operational Plan for San Diego County District Attorney (DA). If approved, this request will result in estimated costs and revenue of approximately \$94,500 in Fiscal Year 2025-26 based on an estimated amendment commencement of April 1, 2026. Fiscal Year 2026-27 costs are estimated at \$381,308, which includes a 3.5% rent adjustment to go into effect April 1, 2027. Funds for the remaining contract term and for each option year (if exercised) will be included in future years’ operational plans for DA. The funding source is fees collected pursuant to California Vehicle Code Section 9250.14. There will be no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Aguirre, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

State of California)
County of San Diego) §

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Original entered in the Minutes of the Board of Supervisors.

ANDREW POTTER
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors



Signed
by Andrew Potter