## COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TUESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2025

### MINUTE ORDER NO. 3

SUBJECT: SHERIFF - REQUEST TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE A REVENUE AGREEMENT WITH THE COMMISSION ON PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING FOR EMERGENCY VEHICLE OPERATIONS COURSE TRAINING SERVICES (DISTRICTS: ALL)

#### **OVERVIEW**

In California, the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) is crucial for maintaining high standards in law enforcement. POST establishes selection and training standards for peace officers, ensuring they are equipped with the necessary skills, knowledge, ethics, and attitudes to serve their communities effectively. This includes developing and updating job-related selection standards, providing access to relevant training, and fostering healthy organizational environments through leadership development programs. The San Diego Sheriff's Office (SDSO), on behalf of POST, will start providing driver training for regional law enforcement at its Emergency Vehicle Operations Center (EVOC). The EVOC in East Otay Mesa gives SDSO and other regional law enforcement agencies a dedicated facility in San Diego County to provide driver training to recruits and required biennial in-service driver training for existing peace officers. To take over EVOC training, SDSO must enter into a POST Driver Training contract for the period of July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2027. This contract was previously held by the San Diego Police Department, and both agencies agreed to rotate this responsibility every two years. POST reimburses the core agency for the training of peace officers.

Today's action requests the Board to approve and authorize the Clerk of the Board to execute, upon receipt, a revenue agreement between the County of San Diego through the Sheriff's Office, and Commission on POST, for Emergency Vehicle Operations Course Training Services for the period of July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2027. It also requests the waiver of Board Policy B-29, Fees, Grants, and Revenue Contracts Department Responsibility for Cost Recovery which requires prior approval of the submission of grants and revenue applications requirement of docketing Revenue Contracts with the Board at least 60 days prior to effective date of the contract. Negotiations between SDSO and POST were not concluded in time to meet the 60-day requirement.

# RECOMMENDATION(S) SHERIFF

- 1. Approve and authorize the Clerk of the Board to execute and ratify, upon receipt, the revenue agreement between the County of San Diego, through the Sheriff's Office, and the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training for Emergency Vehicle Operations Course Training Services for the period July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2027.
- 2. Authorize the Sheriff, or designee, to execute all required contract documents, including mid-year service level changes, extensions, amendments and/or revisions that do not materially impact the program or funding level.
- 3. Waive Board Policy B-29, Fees, Grants, Revenue Contracts Department responsibility for Cost Recovery that requires docketing Revenue Contracts with the Board at least 60 days prior to effective date of the contract.

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#### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Placing knowledgeable instructors at the Emergency Vehicle Operations Center (EVOC), a state-of-the-art training space, supports the County of San Diego's equity goals. Governments have a responsibility to ensure that first responders, public safety personnel, and county personnel with driving responsibilities are provided training in emergency vehicle and specialized response vehicle operations, not only for quality delivery of public safety services, but also to limit risk and liability. Having adequate levels of driving training is imperative. Understanding concepts like threshold braking, understeer, oversteer and turn apexes is best learned in-depth and context with practical training. This will ensure that safety services which aim to protect human life and the security of individuals in San Diego communities, continue to be delivered with increased driving expertise and safety.

#### SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The Emergency Vehicle Operations Center (EVOC) provides the necessary space and terrain required for the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Training in terms of driving ability, and defensive driving expertise which is crucial for law enforcement officers. Driving is one of the main activities that law enforcement officers do while providing policing for our communities. Taking over the contract with POST allows for the cost recovery of expenses to maintain, operate, and manage the course, most of which have been paid for by the Sheriff's Office since EVOC was opened. The upkeep of EVOC operations is critical for public safety and first responder agencies, so that they can train personnel in emergency vehicle operations.

#### FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are not included in the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Operational Plan for the Sheriff's Office. If approved, this request will result in current year costs and revenue up to \$540,000 to offset facility maintenance and operational costs. Facility maintenance, operational, and equipment costs for the second year of the contract are estimated at \$540,000 and will be included in the Fiscal Years 2026-27 Operational Plan for the Sheriff's Office. The funding source is revenue from Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no increase in staff years.

#### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

#### **ACTION:**

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

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

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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

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**Signed** 

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