

# CITY OF COMMERCE AGENDA REPORT

TO:	Honorable City Council	Item No.

**FROM:** City Administrator

**SUBJECT:** SHERIFF'S DEPLOYMENT RECOMMENDATION (575)

**MEETING DATE:** NOVEMBER 29, 2016

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

City staff is recommending that the City Council approve the following:

1. Add a permanent Sergeant to LASD Contract (575). The Sergeant will be known as the Commerce Sergeant and will be responsible for Administrative duties as well as supervision of the City COPS Team and Deputies assigned to the Citadel.

### **ANALYSIS:**

The Commerce COPS Team sergeant has been off on disability for approximately seven months. During the sergeant's absence the Commerce Public Safety program has experienced a setback in services to the Commerce residents and business owners. The presence of supervision is a fundamental part of law enforcement and is necessary to enhance service to the community and maintain consistency and accountability within the ranks. In Commerce, the Sergeant is also a major component of the Community Oriented Policing Strategy and the absence of a sergeant has been evident at community events and during law enforcement operations.

Since the 1999-2000 Fiscal Year, a sergeant has not been funded by Commerce on the LASD contract. Since then, the sergeant positon has been provided to Commerce by the East Los Angeles Station's unincorporated personnel complement. Due to staffing shortages in LASD, the East Los Angeles Station can no longer deploy a sergeant in Commerce outside of the contract.

#### **ALTERNATIVES:**

- 1. Fund the Sergeant position and add it to the LASD Contract (575); and/or
- 2. Provide staff with further direction.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

The current cost for 2015-2016 law enforcement services is \$7,258,752.83. If the City Council accepts and approves staff's recommendation the annualized cost of the contract would equate to \$7,474.351.26. Considering that the implementation date is set for December 1, 2016, the actual cost for the remainder of this fiscal year will be \$7,474,351.83. Since this item is defined as

recurring, an additional cost of at least \$215,599 will be included in the baseline FY 2017/18 proposed budget.

## Recommendation

Adding Special Assignment Sergeant
New Annual Contract Total: \$7,474,351.83

Annual Cost Increase: \$215,599

Estimated Remaining Fiscal Year Additional Cost: \$125,766.08\*

\*Based on the service level change occurring on December 1, 2016.

Recommended by: Matthew C. Rodriguez, Director of Public Safety & Community Services

Reviewed by: Vilko Domic, Director of Finance Approved As To Form: Eduardo Olivo, City Attorney

Respectfully Submitted: Jorge Rifá, City Administrator