

Pinellas County

Staff Report

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Subject:

Interlocal Agreement with the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office for law enforcement services at the St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport for Fiscal Year 2024.

Recommended Action:

Approval of the Interlocal Agreement with the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office (PCSO) for law enforcement services at the St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport (PIE).

- The Interlocal Agreement with the PCSO ensures full-time law enforcement officer (LEO) coverage at PIE.
- There are 12 LEOs that provide 24-hour coverage seven days a week.
- The cost of the 12 LEO's salaries, benefits, vehicle cost, supervision, and equipment is \$1,622,688.00 for Fiscal Year (FY) 2024. This cost represents a 11.18% increase over FY23's Interlocal Agreement cost of \$1,459,512.00.
- This agreement obligates the County prior to adoption of the FY24 Proposed Budget. It is budgeted for in the proposed FY24 Budget and was part of the information presented at the Department's Budget Information Session.

Contract in the amount of \$1,622,688.00 for a one-year term commencing October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024. Authorize the Chairman to sign and the Clerk of the Circuit Court to attest.

Strategic Plan:

Ensure Public Health, Safety, and Welfare

2.1 Provide planning, coordination, prevention, and protective services to ensure a safe and secure community

Summary:

This agreement provides 12 deputy sheriffs who are assigned on a full-time basis to PIE, with said deputies scheduled so at least two (2) deputies are on shift covering 24 hours per day, seven (7) days a week, and who shall be continuously present on PIE's property. The one-year term in the amount of \$1,622,688.00 will commence October 1, 2023, and remain in effect through September 30, 2024, with the intent to renew annually thereafter. This one-year cost represents a 11.18% increase over FY23.

Background Information:

In October 2005, the Board of County Commissioners (Board) approved an Interlocal Agreement with the PCSO for law enforcement services for five (5) one-year terms. The first term commenced October 1, 2005 and remained in effect through September 30, 2006. It was renewed on an annual basis for the term of the agreement and expired September 30, 2010. The Board has approved annual Interlocal Agreements for the period of October 1 through September 30, from FY11 through

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FY23. On June 30, 2017, an amendment to the Interlocal Agreement, effective June 1, 2017, was approved increasing the deputies scheduled on duty from one (1) to two (2) deputies per shift; increasing the total number of deputies assigned to PIE from seven (7) to 12. The number of deputies scheduled on duty at PIE has remained constant since FY17.

Fiscal Impact:

Total contract amount is \$1,622,688.00 and includes LEO's salaries, benefits, vehicle cost, supervision, and equipment. This cost is consistent with the FY24 Proposed Operating Budget for both PIE (expenditures) and PCSO (revenues). This cost represents a \$163,176.00, or 11.18% increase over FY23's Interlocal Agreement cost of \$1,459,512.00. No negative budgetary impacts are anticipated.

The FY24 Budget has \$1,636,460.00 allocated for this agreement, which is sufficient for the request.

Staff Member Responsible:

Thomas R. Jewsbury, Director, St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport

Partners:

Pinellas County Sheriff's Office

Attachments:

Sheriff's Interlocal Agreement FY24 Sheriff's Interlocal Agreement FY23