

**CITY OF DANA POINT**  
**AGENDA REPORT**

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**DATE: JUNE 19, 2007**

**TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL**

**FROM: DOUGLAS C. CHOTKEVYS, CITY MANAGER**

**SUBJECT: 2007-2008 LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT**

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

That the City Council approve the Law Enforcement Services Agreement with the County of Orange for law enforcement services for the 2007-2008 fiscal year and authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement.

**BACKGROUND:**

The City of Dana Point contracts for law enforcement services with the Orange County Sheriff's Department. The Sheriff's Department is responsible for providing professional and responsive law enforcement services to the residents, visitors and businesses of Dana Point. Attached is the proposed Law Enforcement Services Agreement for the 2007-2008 fiscal year.

**DISCUSSION:**

This Law Enforcement Services Agreement provides for primarily the same staffing level as was in place at the conclusion of 2006-2007 with a few minor adjustments in positions to meet the needs of the City. It is important to point out that the Orange County Sheriff's Department continues to provide outstanding service to the City. Serious Part I Crime continues to be on a decline in the City of Dana Point. This has been the case for the past several years and is testimony to the success associated with the community-based policing philosophy that has been implemented in Dana Point. In keeping with that philosophy, the Sheriff's Department continues to work closely with Code Enforcement and the City Attorney's Office to deal with public nuisances and other misdemeanor crime(s) that otherwise would not garner the attention of the District Attorney's Office. Working together, this approach has been very successful in dealing with the "broken window" aspect of community-based policing. It is also important to point out that when we have been impacted by serious Part I crime, the team of Deputies assigned to Dana Point, under the extremely capable leadership of Chief of Police Mark Levy, have been able to respond in outstanding fashion to any situation

The Association of Orange County Deputy Sheriffs' contract expired in October 2006 and there are currently salary and benefit issues that remain to be resolved. Therefore, the proposed agreement includes provisions that require the City to pay for the cost of any increase in compensation or benefits or to adjust the service level to stay within the maximum obligation of the agreement.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The fiscal year 2007-2008 contract amount for law enforcement services is \$7,761,197. Contract costs include salaries, wages, benefits, services, supplies and transportation expenses, as well as division, department and County General (CWCAP) overhead. This reflects a budget increase of approximately \$251,525 or 3.35% as compared to the 2006-2007 adjusted contract cost of \$7,509,672. This increase is primarily due to the impact of the annualized cost of FY 2006-07 negotiated salaries and employee benefits; increased benefit costs; increased transportation costs; and increased regional support services.

The City has budgeted \$7,945,000 for FY 2007-2008 for the contract for law enforcement services. The estimated cost of the City's portion of any increase due to the contract negotiations currently being held is \$46,207 per 1% increase. After payment of the provided FY 2007-2008 contract, \$183,803 will still be left in the budget. This would cover the City's portion of an increase of up to 3.9% due to the pending contract negotiations.

**ACTION DOCUMENT:**

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Attachment A: City of Dana Point Ordinance No. 90-07

Attachment B: County Billing Policy

Attachment C: Policy for distribution of forfeited and seized assets

Attachment D: Resolution No. 00-07-25-03

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**(Hard copies will be provided of all attachments)**