



Legislation Text

File #: 23-6889, **Version:** 1

Department: Purchasing

Department Head/Elected Official: DeWight Dopslauf, County Purchasing Agent

Regular or Supplemental RCA: Supplemental RCA

Type of Request: Contract - Award

Project ID (if applicable): Public Health or Safety Exemption - Local Government Code § 262.024 (a)

Vendor/Entity Legal Name (if applicable): CoreCivic, Inc.

MWDBE Contracted Goal (if applicable): N/A

MWDBE Current Participation (if applicable): N/A

Justification for 0% MWDBE Participation Goal: Exempt - Emergency

Request Summary (Agenda Caption):

Request by the Office of the Purchasing Agent that the County Judge execute the agreement with CoreCivic, Inc. in the amount of \$11,358,750 for outsourcing of Harris County Jail inmates to the Tallahatchie Correctional Facility for the period of December 1, 2023 - November 30, 2024 with four (4) one-year renewal options.

Background and Discussion:

The Harris County Jail is beyond its capacity of housing inmates. Outsourcing is needed to ensure we maintain a secure workspace for employees and safe living environment for inmates, as well as to meet State jail regulations. The Tallahatchie Correctional facility located in Tutwiler, Mississippi is the only one that currently has the staff and beds to accommodate new inmate intake. The facility has full medical and dental services on site as well as expansive outdoor and indoor recreational spaces.

Expected Impact:

Outsourcing inmates will allow redistribution of existing jail staff and facilitate a safer environment for both inmates and HCSO personnel. Will also meet the requirements of the Jail Commission Report.

Alternative Options:

Housing space at 1307 Baker Street is being explored but this option will require investments for construction and additional staffing for that facility. Criminal justice system improvements are needed to help lower the jail population and reduce the necessity for outsourcing in the long term.

Alignment with Goal(s):

- Justice and Safety
- Economic Opportunity
- Housing
- Public Health
- Transportation
- Flooding
- Environment
- Governance and Customer Service

Prior Court Action (if any):

Date	Agenda Item #	Action Taken

Location:

Address (if applicable):

Precinct(s): Choose an item.

Fiscal and Personnel Summary			
Service Name			
	FY 24	FY 25	Next 3 FYs
Incremental Expenditures (do NOT write values in thousands or millions)			
Labor Expenditures	\$	\$	\$
Non-Labor Expenditures	\$	\$	\$
Total Incremental Expenditures	\$	\$	\$
Funding Sources (do NOT write values in thousands or millions)			
Existing Budget			
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Total Current Budget	\$	\$	\$
Additional Budget Requested			
1000 - General Fund	\$11,358,750	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$
Total Additional Budget Requested	\$11,358,750	\$	\$
Total Funding Sources	\$11,358,750	\$	\$
Personnel (Fill out section only if requesting new PCNs)			
Current Position Count for Service	-	-	-

Additional Positions Requested	-	-	-
Total Personnel	-	-	-

Anticipated Court Date: November 14, 2023

Anticipated Implementation Date (if different from Court date): December 1, 2023

Emergency/Disaster Recovery Note: Emergency item

Contact(s) name, title, department: DeWight Dopslauf, County Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Office
Chief Phillip Bosquez, Chief of Detentions, Sheriff's Office

Attachments (if applicable): Final Agreement