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Legislation Text

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DATE: May 7, 2019
TO: Board of Supervisors
SUBMITTED BY: Kirk Haynes, Chief Probation Officer
SUBJECT: Probation K9 Unit Vehicle Purchase Budget Resolutions

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

- 1. Adopt Budget Resolution increasing FY 2018-19 appropriations and estimated revenues for Probation Org 3430 in the amount of \$42,000 to fund the difference between a standard police vehicle and a Chevrolet Tahoe for the K9 Unit (4/5 vote); and**
- 2. Adopt Budget Resolution increasing FY 2018-19 appropriations for Federal Asset Forfeiture Org 1142 in the amount of \$42,000 (4/5 vote).**

There is no Net County Cost associated with the recommended actions as all associated costs will be funded with Federal Asset Forfeiture Funds. The Probation Department's current K9 Unit vehicle is due for replacement. The additional funds will be used to replace the vehicle with a 2019 Tahoe Identifier that will include upgrades necessary for the K9 Unit. This item is countywide.

ALTERNATIVE ACTION(S):

If the recommended actions are not approved, the Probation Department will not be able to receive an appropriate vehicle for its K9 Unit.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no Net County Cost associated with the recommended actions. Approval of the recommended actions will fund the difference between a standard police vehicle and a Chevrolet Tahoe Identifier (Tahoe) for the K9 Unit. Funding for the K9 vehicle replacement will be fully offset with Federal Asset Forfeiture Funds. Funding for a 2019 Charger, which is a standard police vehicle, is included in the FY 2018-19 Fleet Services Org 8911 Adopted Budget as a replacement vehicle. The Department is requesting to purchase a Tahoe instead of the standard vehicle, which costs an additional \$42,000. Fleet Services Org 8911 has sufficient savings to cover the additional \$42,000. Approval of the recommended actions will increase FY 2018-19 appropriations and estimated revenues in the amount of \$42,000 in Probation Org 3430 and Federal Asset Forfeiture Org 1142. Increases to these Orgs are necessary to facilitate the purchase of an adequate vehicle for the Probation Department's K9 Unit.

DISCUSSION:

The Probation Department currently has one vehicle assigned to the Department's K9 Unit that is due for replacement. A standard replacement of the vehicle would be a 2019 Charger Police Vehicle. In order to provide the K9 Unit with a vehicle more suitable for a K9, the Department is requesting to utilize \$42,000 of Federal Asset Forfeiture funds to fund the difference in price between the standard replacement vehicle and a 2019 Tahoe. The Tahoe is more suitable for the K9 and will include all necessary upgrades and equipment

necessary.

K9 enforcement duties include conducting narcotic sniffs of probationer's residences, probationer's property, juvenile institutions, schools and vehicles. In addition to responding department wide to K9 requests, the team also assists other law enforcement agencies while conducting search warrants, parcel checks, vehicle stops, and searches of penal institutions.

The K9 is trained to detect heroin, opium, methamphetamine, cocaine and marijuana, and has proven to not only be an effective asset in revealing offender's sophisticated concealment methods, but has also proven to be a time-saving resource.

ATTACHMENTS INCLUDED AND/OR ON FILE:

On file with the Clerk - Budget Resolution (Org 3430)

On file with the Clerk - Budget Resolution (Org 1142)

CAO ANALYST:

Samantha Buck