

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



**ITEM**  
3.33  
(ID # 6817)

**MEETING DATE:**

Tuesday, April 24, 2018


**FROM :** SHERIFF-CORONER-PA:

**SUBJECT:** SHERIFF-CORONER-PA: Approve and direct the Auditor-Controller to make the budget adjustments, as shown on Schedule A. [District 4], [Total Cost \$47,367]; 100% Federal Equity Share - Asset Forfeiture Sub Fund; 4/5 Vote.

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve and direct the Auditor-Controller to make the budget adjustments, as shown on Schedule A.

**ACTION:** (4/5 Vote Required) 4/5 Vote Required

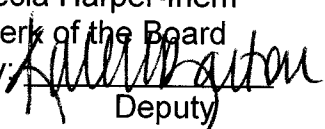
  
Will Taylor, Director of Administration 4/16/2018

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**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

On motion of Supervisor Jeffries, seconded by Supervisor Perez and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

**Ayes:** Jeffries, Tavaglione, Washington, Perez and Ashley  
**Nays:** None  
**Absent:** None  
**Date:** April 24, 2018  
**xc:** Sheriff, Auditor

Kecia Harper-Ihem  
Clerk of the Board  
By:   
Deputy

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<b>FINANCIAL DATA</b>	<b>Current Fiscal Year:</b>	<b>Next Fiscal Year:</b>	<b>Total Cost:</b>	<b>Ongoing Cost</b>
<b>COST</b>	\$ 47,367	\$ 0	\$ 47,367	\$ 0
<b>NET COUNTY COST</b>	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS: : 100% Federal Equity Share - Asset Forfeiture Sub Fund</b>			<b>Budget Adjustment:</b>	Yes
			<b>For Fiscal Year:</b>	17/18

**C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:** Approve

**BACKGROUND:**

**Summary**

The Sheriff's Coroner has two locations, one in Perris and the other one in Indio. The Coroner's Bureau investigated over 14,700 deaths in 2017. The Indio Forensic Center (IFC) investigates approximately 35% of the cases. The California's Government Code Section 27491 and Health and Safety Code Section 102850 mandates that the Sheriff-Coroner conducts inquiries into all suspicious and unnatural deaths within the County of Riverside. In all cases which come under its jurisdiction, the Coroner's Bureau conducts thorough Medicolegal Death Investigations to determine the manner, mode, and cause of death for each decedent.

Radiographic capability is a necessary mission critical component of death investigation at the Coroner's Bureau. The National Association of Medical Examiners deems it a requirement for all death investigation units and will not provide accreditation to any jurisdiction that does not have this modality readily available. Nationwide, on-site radiography is considered the "standard of care."

The Sheriff's Coroner Division needs to replace the high frequency radiographic imaging system and four-way float top table at the Indio's Coroner Facility. The current x-ray machine's generator malfunctioned, and it was determined the system required a new generator. Due to the age of the system, the generator is no longer manufactured; therefore, replacing the generator or components is not an option. Additionally, the software in the existing system is obsolete.

**Impact on Residents and Businesses**

The utility for the radiographic system is used for identification and localization of metallic bodies (bullets) that are retained in gun/rifle/shotgun related deaths. The ability to localize these projectiles allows a more efficient and directed approach to recovering these potentially crucial and critical items of evidentiary value. The system assists with locating retained hardware, including pins, plates, hip-joints, etc. as well as skeletal features that can also aid in the identification of decedents, even when the process of decomposition has become advanced. For these reasons, and many other reasons, radiographic capability is a crucial tool that is a necessity to perform the duties in investigating deaths in Riverside County.

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ATTACHMENTS:

SCHEDULE A. BUDGET ADJUSTMENT

FY 17/18

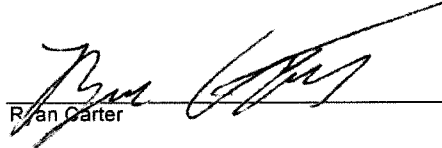
Increase Appropriations:

10000-2501000000-546160 Equipment – Other \$47,367

Memo Line Only:

11026-2501000000-321139 Rsv for Federal Equity Share \$47,367

  
Sandy Armijo 4/10/2018

  
Ryan Carter 4/17/2018