## STAFF REPORT Poliice Department



MEETING DATE:	September 12, 2023
PROJECT:	Consideration of Renewal of Agreement with Department of Juvenile Justice
PROJECT MANAGER:	Joe Babkiewicz, Chief of Police

**<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>**: Staff recommends that Town Council authorize the Town Manager to execute a contract renewal to Contract 2015-03 with the South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice.

**BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:** Detention and transportation of juveniles is covered by South Carolina Code. Specifically, S.C. Code of Laws §63-19-1610 dictates the daily cost billable to any law enforcement agency for the housing of juveniles at a State detention center. Since 2012, the Town of Bluffton has had an agreement in place with the South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice (SCDJJ). This is a renewal of that agreement for the current fiscal year. It should be noted that SCDJJ also provides a Short-Term Alternative Placement Program for non-violent youth which is a no-cost option.

**NEXT STEPS:** Authorizing the Town Manager to sign the contract renewal with SCDJJ for fiscal year 2024.

## ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Renewal of Contract 2015-03
- 2. Resolution
- 3. Motion