

STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: July 24, 2024

PRESENTER: Steve Wilkins, Chief of Police

SUBJECT: Resolution Approving the 2024-2027 Agreement with the County of Fresno for Police Dispatch Services (SW)

RECOMMENDATION: Council by motion adopt resolution approving the 2024-2027 Service Agreement with County of Fresno for Law Enforcement Dispatch Services.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The City of Kerman has been in agreement with the County of Fresno (County), through its Sheriff-Coroner-Public Administrator's Office (Sheriff), to handle police dispatch services for the Kerman Police Department. Under the agreement, the Sheriff will receive phone calls for service originating in the City of Kerman and will dispatch Kerman Police personnel in response to such requests. The Sheriff will provide these services 24 hours a day, each day of the year. This agreement is a renewal of a continuing agreement that has been in effect for many years. As indicated in the Agreement (Exhibit 'A' to Resolution), the rate specified per resident (Dispatcher Per Capita) to be charged by COUNTY, and subsequently paid by CITY, are the rates set forth in the County's Master Schedule of Fees, Charges, and Recovered Costs, Section 2609, subdivision (d), for performing the dispatching services under this Agreement.

DISCUSSION:

Historically, the Kerman Police Department has utilized the services of the Fresno County Sheriff-Coroner-Public Administrator's Office Dispatch Center as Kerman's primary law enforcement communications center. All 9-1-1 and non-emergency calls for service that originate within the city limits of Kerman direct to the Sheriff-Coroner's Office Dispatch Center where the calls are logged and then the information relayed via radio and computer-aided dispatch to the Kerman Police personnel. The dispatch service is a 24/7 operation. This 2024-2027 agreement is a continuation of the existing agreement with the County of Fresno.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The current dispatch fee effective for the term July 01, 2024 – June 30, 2025 is \$16.35 per city resident. The monthly charge during the rest of the term following the end of FY 2024-25 (July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025) will be determined upon approval of the MSF rate, as set forth in the COUNTY's Master Schedule of Fees, Charges, and Recovered Costs, and total number of residents in CITY of that year, for the term of this Agreement.

ATTACHMENTS:

A. Resolution w/Exhibit