



# AGENDA STAFF REPORT

Control: 26001085

**MEETING DATE:** 06/23/2026

**LEGAL ENTITY TAKING ACTION:** Board of Supervisors

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DISTRICT(S):** District 1 and District 2

**SUBMITTING AGENCY/DEPARTMENT:** Sheriff-Coroner

**DEPARTMENT CONTACT PERSON(S):** Cory Martino, 714-647-1817  
Stephanie Callian

**SUBJECT:** Five Year Agreement with City of Garden Grove for Crime Scene Investigation

CEO CONCUR	COUNTY COUNSEL REVIEW	CLERK OF THE BOARD
Concur	Approve agreement to form	CONSENT CALENDAR 3 Votes Board Majority

<b>Budgeted:</b> N/A	<b>Current Year Cost:</b> N/A	<b>Annual Cost:</b> FY 2026-27 \$764,623
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<b>Staffing Impact:</b> No	<b>Funding Source:</b> Other: City of Garden Grove: 100%	<b>Sole Source:</b> No
<b>Current Fiscal Year Revenue:</b>		<b>County Audit in Last 3 years:</b> No

**Levine Act Review Completed?** N/A

**Prior Board Action:** 5/11/2021 #2, 5/24/2016 #7, 4/14/2015 #18, 6/26/2012 #52

**RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):**

1. Approve and authorize execution of the five-year agreement with the City of Garden Grove for provision of enhanced crime scene investigation and related services for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2031.
2. Approve the FY 2026-27 charges for services to the City of Garden Grove in the amount of \$764,623 for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.
3. Authorize the Sheriff-Coroner or designee authority to execute, on behalf of the County of Orange, written amendments to this Contract that require the City of Garden Grove to continue to pay the County the full costs of services under the Contract, calculated using the most current County cost data, but that do not materially change other terms and conditions of the Contract.
4. Delegate to the Sheriff-Coroner or designee authority to charge the City of Garden Grove for any potential salary or benefit changes for County employees.

**SUMMARY:**

Approval of the five-year agreement with the City of Garden Grove will allow the Sheriff-Coroner Department to provide enhanced crime scene investigation services and to provide enhanced DNA casework services to assist the City of Garden Grove in solving crimes thereby enhancing their public protection.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The Sheriff-Coroner Department (Sheriff) provides enhanced forensic services for the Garden Grove Police Department under contract with the City of Garden Grove (City).

Since 2011, Sheriff has been providing Enhanced forensic services on overtime paid by the City.

The table below details the Contract history:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Amendment Number or Contract</u>	<u>Date Approved By Board or Adjusted</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Comments</u>
FY 2011-12	Contract	June 7, 2011	\$401,513	Established service levels for FY 2021-22
FY 2012-13	First Amendment	June 26, 2012	\$407,083	Establish service levels for FY 2022-23
FY 2014-15	Fourth Amendment	April 14, 2015	\$368,085	The reduction in cost on the Fourth Amendment was due to a reduction in staffing.
FY 2016-21	n/a	May 24, 2016	-	Board approved a five-year Contract with the City of Garden Grove for the provision of enhanced crime scene investigation and related services for the term of July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2021.
FY 2021-22	Contract	May 11, 2021	\$633,970	Board approved a five-year Contract with the City of Garden Grove for the provision of enhanced crime scene investigation and related services for the term of July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2026.

This is a five-year contract covering the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2031. This contract contains a provision that authorizes the Sheriff or designee to execute written amendments. Such a provision requires the City of Garden Grove to continue to pay in subsequent fiscal years to the County of Orange (County) the full costs of services under the contract, based on recommended service levels and associated costs. These services include crime scene investigation for major crimes such as homicide, aggravated assault, and rape; processing of evidence for latent fingerprint identification; and enhanced DNA casework analyses. The proposed agreement with the City of Garden Grove provides for two Lead Forensic Specialists and one

Forensic Scientist III positions to provide these crime scene investigation services, fingerprint comparison duties, and enhanced DNA casework services for the City. These enhanced services do not affect the normal casework handling and priorities of the Orange County Crime Laboratory (OCCL) for all other county law enforcement.[

The cost of regular services shall be as follows:

- Two Lead Forensic Specialists \$453,590
- One Forensic Scientist III \$295,824
- Aggregate Overtime \$15,209

The Sheriff law enforcement contracts have been reorganized to simplify amendments, eliminate duplicative references, and make the document easier to navigate. Contract language was revised to make the contract more readable and codify the Sheriffs' and the Cities' current practices.

Contract costs include salaries, wages, benefits, services, supplies, mileage, divisional, departmental and County (CWCAP) overhead. Sheriff now requests Board approval of the Five-Year Agreement with the City of Garden Grove and the FY 2026-27 cost of services as referenced in the Recommended Action.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The City of Garden Grove is responsible for 100% of the costs related to this agreement. This agreement contains language allowing the Sheriff-Coroner Department to terminate the contract or reduce the level of services without penalty of cause or without cause in the event that funding is reduced and/or not available to continue funding the agreement. The FY 2026-27 Recommended Budget for Budget Control 060, the Sheriff-Coroner Department will include appropriations and revenue for this contract.

**STAFFING IMPACT:**

N/A

**REVIEWING AGENCIES/DEPARTMENTS:**

N/A

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment A - City of Garden Grove Enhanced Forensic Services