

MONTEREY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MEETING:	April 12, 2011 - Consent	AGENDA NO:
SUBJECT:	Approve and authorize the Auditor-Controller to transfer \$56,175 from the Capital Projects Fund 402, Unit 8174 Account 7521 to the Sheriff's Appropriation Unit 001-2300-SHE001-8273-6613 to pay MTG Management Consultants LLC for Request for Proposal (RFP) Evaluation Service for the Integrated Justice Information System (IJIS) project. (4/5 th vote required)	
Department:	Sheriff's Office	

RECOMMENDATIONS:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors approve and authorize the Auditor-Controller to transfer \$56,175 from the Capital Projects Fund 402, Unit 8174 Account 7521 to the Sheriff's Appropriation Unit 001-2300-SHE001-8273-6613 to pay MTG Management Consultants LLC for Request for Proposal (RFP) Evaluation Services for the Integrated Justice Information System (IJIS) project. (4/5th vote required)

SUMMARY / DISCUSSION:

For many years, the County has identified the need to replace the Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS), but has lacked the funding to implement a replacement project. Over the years, the Courts, District Attorney, Public Defender and Probation have implemented their own records management/case management systems, while the Sheriff's Department has continued to use CJIS. While these new systems have provided more internal efficiency for the users, it has resulted in a loss of the ability to share data electronically, as these systems aren't able to communicate electronically with each other or with CJIS.

Since 2005, the County has been working on a project to re-establish electronic data sharing and exchanges between the various law enforcement agencies through a comprehensive system, estimated to cost \$17 million, that could be utilized by all of the agencies. Given that funding does not exist for the entirety of this project, the IJIS project team developed a plan to undertake a portion of the first phase of the project by re-establishing electronic connectivity with the Courts.

In June of 2010, RFP #10054 was prepared for release to acquire an integration solution and services to develop fifteen (15) high priority information exchanges between the criminal justice partners and the Courts. Rather than utilizing County staff to evaluate the responses to the RFP and negotiate a contract, the Sheriff's Department contracted with MTG Management Consultants, in an amount not to exceed \$92,675, to facilitate the selection and negotiation process. While the Sheriff's Department administration believed that the Information Technology Department (ITD) would be funding this consultant work, they were informed by the ITD Director in November of 2010 that ITD would not be paying for the work, but that funding was available in the Capital Projects Fund.

The prior administration of the Sheriff's Department left office in December without ever determining how to pay for the consultant services that had been procured. The new administration determined that no Capital Projects Funds had ever been appropriated to this project, and directed the consultants to cease all work on the project. After investigating the funding situation and evaluating the merits of the original decision to spend over \$1.5 million on a project that would, at best, provide limited communication among the various agencies, a decision was made to abandon the information integration project.

Based on the work that was already completed in 2010, the Sheriff's Office is requesting that \$56,175 of the Capital Projects Funds originally earmarked for the larger project be transferred and added to the Sheriff's Office budget to pay MTG Management Consultants.

While suspending any further work on the information sharing system, the Sheriff's Department will continue to pursue funding to replace CJIS with a more cost effective and efficient system.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The Capital Improvement Committee and Budget Committee have received reports on this issue and concur with the recommendation for the transfer of funds to the Sheriff's Office.

FINANCING:

The IJIS Project has been a priority for the County for a number of years, with a total cost of implementation estimated at \$17 million. Capital Improvement Project Funds were earmarked for the project in FY2006/07 (\$900,000) and FY2007/08 (\$890,000). This leaves the full IJIS Project underfunded by \$15.3 million. However, the earmarked funds of \$1.7 million have not been appropriated to be spent. It is recommended that \$56,175 of the available earmarked balance from the Capital Projects Fund 402, Unit 8174, Account 7521 be transferred to the Sheriff's Office Appropriation Unit 001-2300-SHE001-8273-6613 to pay the costs incurred as of December 2010.

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