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**MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** 9-1-20

**TO:** Board of Commissioners

**FROM:** Lt. Eric J. Sanborn

**RE:** Expansion of Fencing and Securing of Jail and Sheriff's Office

The need for additional fencing and security was identified and approved in the 2019 FY budget. Because of the larger scale needs assessment and renovation tied to the capital improvement project, it was agreed the fencing was delayed until FY2020.

Due to recent security breaches, COVID-19 pandemic and the recent civil unrest, it has become more imperative than ever to secure the rear of the Jail and the Sheriff's Office to protect the employees, the inmates and the public. We have also received intelligence information from the FBI that Police Officers and Police facilities are being specifically targeted.

As requested during the June 17, 2020 financing meeting we looked into competitively bidding this fencing part of this project. We solicited an updated bid from our current vendor, as well as others provided by the purchasing department. We were only able to secure one other vendor to bid from the purchasing department. I also reached out to another local vendor. They came out in July and I have not been able to get a formal quote from them since.

Justice Fence was able to lower their bid to \$24,235 based on the fact they were able to move a lot of the work in house instead of outsourcing. Therefore, it was under the threshold for the formalized bidding process. The other bid received was considerably higher and over the threshold amount.

This is an expansion of our current fencing. All work will be performed by our local existing vendors, Justice Fence Co and American Video Transfer (Pre-Approved County Vendor).

Attached are the updated quotes.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lt. Eric J Sanborn