

Agenda Item:

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Meeting Date: September 4, 2025

MEMORANDUM

To: City Commission

Through:

From: Theresa Smalling

Date: 2025-07-16

Subject: Pinellas County Sheriff's Office (PCSO) FY26 Annual Addendum to the Contract with the City of Dunedin to provide Law Enforcement Services, at a cost of \$6,134,860 for FY26.

Presenter(s): Dr. Theresa Smalling, SPHR, Director of Human Resources and Risk Management

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends Commission approval of Addendum No. 2 to the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office (PCSO) Contract with the City of Dunedin to provide Law Enforcement Services, at a cost of \$6,134,860 for FY26.

Strategic Themes: Good Governance

Boards & Committees: Public Safety Committee reviewed the Addendum on August 21, 2025.

Budget Impact: Total Cost for Fiscal Year 2026 is \$6,134,860.

Past Action: N / A

Next Action: N / A

Attachments: [A. Dunedin.FY26.Contract.addendum 2.pdf](#)
[B. Dunedin-FY26 Attachment 1.pdf](#)
[C. Explanation of Attachment 1.pdf](#)

Background: The contract with the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office (PCSO) to provide law enforcement services to the City of Dunedin is renewed each year, in one-year increments. The attached addendum (Exhibit A) is a continuation of the current contract for FY26. Also included is Attachment 1 (Exhibit B), which details the provided services and associated expenses. Exhibit C explains the terms used in Attachment 1.

The total FY26 cost for law enforcement services is \$6,134,860,

which is an overall increase of 7.44%, or \$420,912 over the prior year. The additional cost is attributable to the increased cost per deputy, from \$122,730 to \$132,550, and the addition of one school crossing guard. Expenses for services are detailed as follows:

Contracted Personnel include sworn officer positions, as well as support staff (including 28 school crossing guards), as detailed in Exhibit B. Five (5) Community Policing Deputies (CPD) are permanently assigned to the City, including two (2) deputies assigned to traffic enforcement. The annual cost for law enforcement services (which includes the City's cost-share for equipment and other indirect costs) is \$5,942,706, paid monthly, of which \$137,280 is for 2,080 hours of additional traffic enforcement.

Special Events Services / Additional Security: 680 hours of secondary employment services, at a total cost of \$44,880 payable in full as of October 1, 2025.

Funding of Safe Harbor (\$10,000), a facility operated by the Sheriff as a jail diversion program designed to place homeless people who commit minor crimes. The Safe Harbor contribution is payable in full on or before November 1, 2025.

Staff hereby recommends Commission approval of Addendum No. 2 to the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office (PCSO) Contract with the City of Dunedin to provide Law Enforcement Services, at a cost of \$6,134,860 for FY26, as detailed herein.