Memorandum

DATE  September 5, 2014

TO  Honorable Members of the Public Safety Committee: Sheffie Kadane (Chair), Adam Medrano (Vice Chair), Dwaine R. Caraway, Jennifer S. Gates, Sandy Greyson, Scott Griggs

SUBJECT  Lew Sterrett Jail Contract - 9/24/14 Council Agenda Item

On September 24, 2014, City Council will consider an agenda item to authorize payment to Dallas County under the Lew Sterrett Jail contract for FY 2014-15. Dallas County provides jail services to the City of Dallas. Jail services include administration, intake, housing and release. The proposed amount is $7,983,142, or $730,495 less than the current FY 2013-14 contract.

Calculated costs are reviewed annually and based on projected prisoner intake, housing counts and indirect costs. The FY 2014-15 Lew Sterrett Jail costs reflect projected City of Dallas usage at 20,246 prisoners processed at intake, and 15,094 days’ worth of prisoner housing. As prisoner intake and housing numbers fluctuate, prorated Lew Sterrett Jail costs are adjusted for the City and neighboring suburbs that utilize the facility.

Dallas County’s FY 2014-15 daily per prisoner housing cost will increase by 1% over the current year contract. To contextualize the County’s prisoner housing proposal, an analysis was recently undertaken using data from the Texas Commission on Jail Standards or T.C.J.S. On a monthly basis the T.C.J.S. issues a standardized report that compares the cost per prisoner housed for all Texas counties. Excluding indirect costs and measuring Dallas County’s total number of beds, the T.C.J.S. lists Dallas County’s average daily housing cost to be approximately $54 per prisoner. In its most recent July 2014 report, the T.C.J.S. calculates the statewide average for Texas county jails to be $60.99 per prisoner housed. The cost for Texas’ five most populous counties is as follows: Harris, $75; Dallas, $54; Tarrant, $38; Bexar, $46; and Travis, $105.

Attached is the agenda information sheet for this upcoming item. Please let me know if you have any questions.

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cc: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
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    Gloria López Carter, Director of Court & Detention Services

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KEY FOCUS AREA: Public Safety

AGENDA DATE: September 24, 2014

COUNCIL DISTRICT(S): All

DEPARTMENT: Court & Detention Services

CMO: Joey Zapata, 670-3009

MAPSCO: N/A

SUBJECT

Authorize payment to Dallas County for processing and housing prisoners at the Lew Sterrett Criminal Justice Center, pursuant to Amendment No. 4 to the Criminal Justice Center Memorandum of Agreement with Dallas County, previously approved on June 11, 1997, by Resolution No. 97-1995, for the period October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015 - Not to exceed $7,983,142 - Financing: Current Funds

BACKGROUND

On June 11, 1997, the City Council, pursuant to Resolution No. 97-1995, authorized Amendment No. 4 to the Criminal Justice Center Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Dallas and Dallas County which established a new cost methodology for processing and maintaining City prisoners at the Lew Sterrett Criminal Justice Center based on direct cost for providing intake/release and housing, indirect costs associated with County Central Services applicable to the jail contract and apportioned costs of certain Sheriff's Office operations. This methodology is reviewed yearly. This action will allow continuation of payments to Dallas County beginning October 1, 2014.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)

Authorized payment to Dallas County for processing and maintaining City prisoners at the jail facility for the period October 1, 1999 through September 30, 2000, on September 22, 1999, by Resolution No. 99-3054.

Authorized payment to Dallas County for processing and maintaining City prisoners at the jail facility for the period October 1, 2000 through September 30, 2001, on September 27, 2000, by Resolution No. 00-2986.

Authorized payment to Dallas County for processing and maintaining City prisoners at the jail facility for the period October 1, 2001 through September 30, 2002, on September 26, 2001, by Resolution No. 01-2843.
PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS) (Continued)

Authorized payment to Dallas County for processing and maintaining City prisoners at the jail facility for the period October 1, 2002 through September 30, 2003, on September 30, 2002, by Resolution No. 02-2812.

Authorized payment to Dallas County for processing and maintaining City prisoners at the jail facility for the period October 1, 2003 through September 30, 2004, on September 24, 2003, by Resolution No. 03-2583.

Authorized payment to Dallas County for processing and maintaining City prisoners at the jail facility for the period October 1, 2004 through September 30, 2005, on September 22, 2004, by Resolution No. 04-2789.

Authorized payment to Dallas County for processing and maintaining City prisoners at the jail facility for the period October 1, 2005 through September 30, 2006, on September 28, 2005, by Resolution No. 05-2836.

Authorized payment to Dallas County for processing and maintaining City prisoners at the jail facility for the period October 1, 2006 through September 30, 2007, on September 27, 2006, by Resolution No. 06-2643.

Authorized payment to Dallas County for processing and maintaining City prisoners at the jail facility for the period October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2008, on September 26, 2007, by Resolution No. 07-2748.

Authorized payment to Dallas County for processing and maintaining City prisoners at the jail facility for the period October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009, on September 24, 2008, by Resolution No. 08-2533.

Authorized payment to Dallas County for processing and maintaining City prisoners at the jail facility for the period October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010, on September 23, 2009, by Resolution No. 09-2368.

Authorized payment to Dallas County for processing and maintaining City prisoners at the jail facility for the period October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2011, on September 22, 2010, by Resolution No. 10-2355.

Authorized payment to Dallas County for processing and maintaining City prisoners at the jail facility for the period October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012, on September 28, 2011, by Resolution No. 11-2611.

Authorized payment to Dallas County for processing and maintaining City prisoners at the jail facility for the period October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2013, on September 26, 2012, by Resolution No. 12-2352.
PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS) (Continued)

Authorized payment to Dallas County for processing and maintaining City prisoners at the jail facility for the period October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014, on September 25, 2013, by Resolution No. 13-1679.

FISCAL INFORMATION

$7,983,142.00 - Current Funds