

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

Resolution authorizing execution of Amendment 10 to the Agreement for Inmate Housing with South Correctional Entity (SCORE) to 1) extend the expiration date of the Agreement to December 31, 2020, 2) increase the number of guaranteed beds to 25, and 3) approve the annual guaranteed bed rate adjustment to \$128 beginning 1/1/2020.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This Resolution authorizes execution of Amendment 10 to the Agreement for Inmate Housing with South Correctional Entity (SCORE).

RECOMMENDATION

Move to adopt Resolution No. 9682.

If approved, effective date: 11/18/2019

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

The City of Bellevue has contracted with SCORE for inmate housing since July 2012. The use of SCORE has gradually increased from an average of 14 inmates per day in 2014 to over 21 inmates per day in 2018. The City's current average daily bed use is in the low to mid 20s with the August average being 24. The City's weekend bed use is significantly higher. Due to many factors, including the availability of video arraignment at their facility, the Police Department's use of SCORE for inmate housing will continue.

Despite this increased use, under the existing agreement with SCORE, the City only has 15 guaranteed beds at the guaranteed bed rate (currently \$124). If the City has more inmates than the number of guaranteed beds, SCORE may not have room, which means staff have to spend additional resources transporting the inmates to other facilities and, even if there is room, starting in 2020, SCORE may charge additional fees above the guaranteed rate. With the approval of this Resolution, the City's number of guaranteed beds will increase to 25, which better reflects current daily use, at the guaranteed bed rate of \$128. Staff anticipate that increasing the number of guaranteed beds at this set bed rate will result in significant savings over the life of the contract.

On February 11, Council extended the SCORE agreement for six months through June 30. The expiration date was subsequently amended to November 30. While negotiations for a new agreement are ongoing, we are returning with Amendment 10 for the next coverage period as directed by Council.

POLICY & FISCAL IMPACTS

Policy Impact

Bellevue City Code

BCC 4.28 provides for the fair and equitable treatment of all persons involved in the purchasing process. Council approval is required where the cost exceeds \$90,000.

Chapter 39.34 RCW authorizes the City to establish the terms and conditions pursuant to which the City will transfer custody of inmates to be housed at a correctional facility.

Fiscal Impact

SCORE Amendment 10, if executed, will commence on December 1, 2019 and terminate on December 31, 2020. The number of guaranteed beds is increased to 25. The guaranteed bed rate in this agreement is \$124 for December 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019, no change from the current rate, and \$128 for January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020, an increase of 3 percent.

The 13 month extension to the current SCORE contract is an excellent option for Bellevue Police Department. The \$128 guaranteed rate is a flat rate regardless of bed use or bed type, meaning the City will not be subject to the additional daily rate surcharges SCORE is introducing in 2020 for other contract agencies.

As discussed in the prior section, the City has experienced a significant increase in the usage of SCORE due to higher volume of inmates and limitations at other jail facilities. The financial impact of such increase is growing beyond the adopted budget allocation. Future rate changes will be addressed in budget discussions.

OPTIONS

1. Adopt the Resolution authorizing execution of Amendment 10 to the Agreement for Inmate Housing with South Correctional Entity (SCORE) to 1) extend the expiration date of the Agreement to December 31, 2020, 2) increase the number of guaranteed beds to 25, and 3) approve the annual guaranteed bed rate adjustment to \$128 beginning 1/1/2020.
2. Do not adopt the Resolution and provide alternative direction to staff.

ATTACHMENTS & AVAILABLE DOCUMENTS

Proposed Resolution No. 9682

AVAILABLE IN COUNCIL LIBRARY

Original Agreement for SCORE Inmate Housing
Prior Amendments 1-9
Proposed Amendment 10