

STAFF REPORT

DATE: December 20, 2016

CONSENT

ITEM #: 9

AGENDA ITEM: Washington County Sheriff's Contract for Services

SUBMITTED BY: Kristina Handt, City Administrator

BACKGROUND:

The Council has discussed adding a sergeant through the budget process and had a presentation from Sheriff Hutton at the November work session. The Council asked for community cost comparison data at that meeting. It is provided below.

WCSO CONTRACT CITY	2017 PER CAPITA (2015 census)
City of Grant	27.77
City of Scandia	29.66
City of Landfall	160.43
City of Lake Elmo	77.19
City of Hugo	68.66
City of Newport	201.90
City of Mahtomedi	55.35
City of Dellwood	56.80
City of Willernie	59.66
City of Birchwood	57.97
City of Afton	58.91
City of Lakeland	59.13
City of Lake St. Croix Beach	59.19
City of St. Mary's Point	58.64
City of Lakeland Shores	59.97

ISSUE BEFORE COUNCIL:

Should the City terminate the existing contract and approve a new contract to add a sergeant in 2017?

PROPOSAL DETAILS/ANALYSIS:

Included in the packet are a terminate of the current agreement, a new agreement for 2017, and a draft letter to accompany the contract that explains the city does not expect the new sergeant to start until April 2017.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The increased cost of the sergeant is estimated at \$120,000 annually. Since the position will not begin in Lake Elmo until April the cost will be \$90,000. This is consistent with the adopted 2017 budget.

OPTIONS:

- 1) Terminate the Existing Contract and Approve the New Contract for 2017
- 2) Terminate the Existing Contract, Amend and then Approve the New Contract for 2017
- 3) Keep existing contract

RECOMMENDATION:

If removed from the consent agenda:

Motion to terminate the existing contract and approve a new contract for 2017 with the Washington County Sheriff's Office.