

COUNTY OF SAN MATEO Inter-Departmental Correspondence Sheriff's Office



Date: July 7, 2016 Board Meeting Date: August 9, 2016 Special Notice / Hearing: None Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Sheriff Carlos Bolanos

Subject: Norix Furniture Purchase – Maple Street Correctional Center Phase Two

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution authorizing the Sheriff or Sheriff's designee to execute an agreement with Norix Group, Inc. to provide detention furniture for the Maple Street Correctional Center in an amount not to exceed \$225,000.

BACKGROUND:

After acquiring 4.85 acres of land in Redwood City on Maple Street at Blomquist Street and approving the scope and size of the jail project at that site, the Board approved contracts for jail design, engineering and construction management services. The Board also approved a contract with Sundt Layton to construct the Maple Street Correctional Center (MSCC). Phase 1 construction was completed in March of this year. On April 28th of 2015, your board approved the MSCC Warm Shell Build-Out (Phase 2 construction). Phase 2 construction is scheduled to be complete in October 2016, and a substantial amount of detention grade furniture must be ordered, delivered, and installed in a timely manner in order to operate the facility.

DISCUSSION:

MSCC must be equipped with detention grade furniture including seating, tables, and other furniture that is manufactured and engineered for the security and extreme durability that is required in institutional environments. Specially designed detention furniture must be able to withstand the strain of continuous use and yet be safe and secure for inmates and staff.

This agreement with Norix Group Inc. will provide detention grade seating and tables for all inmate housing units as well as dorm furniture for the transitional housing units. The Norix products are industry proven and should provide years of use.

It is recommended that the Board approve the acquisition of Norix detention furniture for MSCC utilizing the existing Norix Group Inc. cooperative contract #MA-IS-1540050-1. This contract was established via the competitive bid process. The Jail Planning Bureau worked closely with County Purchasing in determining that it is in the best interest of the County to utilize this purchasing method and requests a waiver of any additional RFP process.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the resolution as to form.

Approval of this resolution contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Collaborative Community by ensuring a safe and cost effective MSCC facility.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The amount of this agreement is \$225,000. This amount is included in the approved project budget.