

### **COUNTY OF SAN MATEO**

Inter-Departmental Correspondence Sheriff's Office



**Date:** May 29, 2015

**Board Meeting Date:** July 7, 2015

Special Notice / Hearing: None Vote Required: Majority

**To:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Sheriff Greg Munks

**Subject:** Norix Furniture Purchase for Maple Street Correctional Center

## **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 \$600,000.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

After acquiring the 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). Construction is anticipated to be complete by the end of 2015 and a substantial amount of equipment identified as Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment (FF&E) 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 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 \$600,000. This amount is included in the approved project budget.