



Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners  
Office of the Commission Auditor

**Public Safety and Rehabilitation**  
**Committee (PSR) Meeting**

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9:30 A.M.  
Commission Chambers

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**Item No. 3A  
File No. 190109**

**Researcher: IL Reviewer: TD**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR THE COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE THE REMAINING TWO, TWO-YEAR OPTION TO RENEW PERIODS FOR CONTRACT NO. L9152-2/17, TELEPHONE SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM, FOR THE MIAMI-DADE POLICE DEPARTMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$318,000.00; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS OF THE CONTRACT PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-8.1 OF THE COUNTY CODE AND IMPLEMENTING ORDER 3-38

**ISSUE/REQUESTED ACTION**

Whether the Board should authorize the remaining two, two-year option to renew for a legacy contract to Pen-Link, Ltd, for a two-year term in an amount not to exceed \$318,000.00 to obtain upgrades, software maintenance and support services for the Miami-Dade Police Department.

**APPLICABLE LEGISLATION/POLICY**

**47 U.S.C. 1001 Communications Assistance for Law Enforcement Act (CALEA)**, intended to preserve the ability of law enforcement officials to conduct electronic surveillance effectively and efficiently despite the deployment of new digital technologies and wireless services that have altered the character of electronic surveillance. CALEA requires telecommunications carriers to modify their equipment, facilities, and services, wherever reasonably achievable, to ensure that they are able to comply with authorized electronic surveillance actions...Among other clarifications, the FCC (1) affirmed that the CALEA compliance deadline for facilities-based broadband Internet access and interconnected VoIP services

<https://legcounsel.house.gov/Comps/Communications%20Assistance%20For%20Law%20Enforcement%20Act.pdf>

**Section 2-8.1 of the County Code** (Contracts and Purchases Generally) applies to all contracts for public improvements and purchases of all supplies, materials and services other than professional services and (1) requires formal sealed bids for purchases over \$250,000; (2) describes the circumstances under which non-competitive purchases may be approved; (3) establishes requirements for legacy purchases, designated purchases, and single vehicle leases; and (4) provides that procurement procedures shall be established by I.O. and approved by the Board.

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**Section 2-8.1(b)(2) of the County Code** provides for legacy purchases upon a majority vote of the Board members present. A legacy purchase is defined as a purchase of goods and services where competition is unavailable, impractical or constrained as a result of the need to continue to operate an existing County system which may not be replaced without substantial expenditure. In any legacy purchase award recommendation, the County Mayor shall include a statement as to the need for such purchase and the provisions taken to reduce or eliminate the future need for legacy purchases for the particular good or service.

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**Resolution No. R-1433-06**, adopted December 19, 2006, directs the Mayor to develop an administrative process for review of all contracts for procurement of goods and services for opportunities for Small Business Enterprise participation prior to exercising the options-to-renew.

<http://intra/gia/matter.asp?matter=063176&file=true&yearFolder=Y2006>

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**Resolution No. R-98-12**, adopted January 26, 2012, directs the Mayor or his designee to negotiate better prices on all awarded contracts for the purchase of goods and services and prior to the exercise of any options-to-renew and delegating authority to County Mayor or designee to amend contracts to provide better prices for the County.

<http://intra/gia/matter.asp?matter=112444&file=true&yearFolder=Y2011>

**Resolution No. R-187-12**, adopted February 21, 2012, directs the County Mayor to include due diligence information in memoranda recommending certain contract awards. <http://intra/gia/legistarfiles/MinMatters/Y2012/120287min.pdf>

**Resolution No. R-1011-15**, adopted by the Board on November 3, 2015, directs the County Mayor to require that vendors provide addresses of all local branch offices and headquarters and the number and percentage of local residents such vendors employ in memoranda to the Board pertaining to vendors being recommended for contract award.

<http://intra/gia/matter.asp?matter=152271&file=true&yearFolder=Y2015>

**Resolution No. R-477-18**, adopted May 1, 2018, directs the County Mayor to disclose to the Board the reasons goods and services are not being procured through local businesses when the recommendation is to award a contract to a non-local vendor or to establish a prequalification pool where less than 75 percent of the pool members are local businesses.

<http://intra/gia/matter.asp?matter=180822&file=true&yearFolder=Y2018>

**Implementing Order No. 3-38** sets forth the County's processes and procedures for the purchase of goods and services. The I.O. outlines: the roles and responsibilities of the Internal Services Department; the methods of purchasing goods and services; the authority to award and modify contracts; and the requirements for access contracts, emergency purchases, bid waivers, confirmation purchases and sole sources.

<http://www.miamidade.gov/aopdfdoc/aopdf/pdffiles/IO3-38.pdf>

## **PROCEDURAL HISTORY**

**Prime Sponsor:**

**Department/Requester: Internal Services Department**

There is no procedural history at this time.

## **ANALYSIS**

This item is requesting Board to authorize the remaining two, two-year option to renew for a legacy contract to Pen-Link, Ltd, for a two-year term in an amount not to exceed \$318,000.00 to obtain upgrades, software maintenance and support services for the Miami-Dade Police Department.

The time line below is intended to show the life of this contract with Miami-Dade County.

### **Time Line**

Contract No.	Effective Date	Expiration	Value
SS9152-0/11	02/15/2010	02/14/2012	\$ 75,000.00
SS9152-4/17	04/04/2012(OTR)	03/31/2013	\$ 133,000.00
SS9152-4/17-1	04/01/2013(OTR)	03/31/2014	\$ 53,000.00
SS9152-4/17-2	04/01/2014(OTR)	03/31/2015	\$ 53,000.00
L9152-2-17	04/08/2015 (New Contract)	04/30/2019	\$ 212,000.00
L9152-2-17-1	(OTR)	TBD	\$ 318,000.00
		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 844,000.00</b>

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Under the contract, Pen Link Ltd. provides MDPD with the latest telecommunications technology, enabling the department to collect critical evidence by providing a mechanism to record intercepted communications through wired, wireless, Voice Over Internet Protocol (VoIP), and third generation mobile technologies. Pen-Link, Ltd. is the sole source proprietor of all Pen-Link software products, including maintenance and support services, and thus is the only vendor able to maintain and update MDPD's System. Due to the critical role the System plays in MDPD's ability to track and locate suspects for police investigations, it is vital that the System be functional and upgraded with emerging technologies. Accordingly, pursuant to Section 2-8.1(b)(2) of the County Code, it is in the best interest of the County to award this legacy contract to Pen-Link, Ltd. as no other vendor is capable of providing the required maintenance and support services.

A review of the Bid Tracking System was conducted on February 6 2019, the table below illustrates Blanket Purchase Order(s) balance:

Department	Allocation Amount	Released Amount	Balance
MDPD	\$212,000.00	\$210,500.00	\$1,500.00

The initial contract term (L9152-2/17) was effective on April 8, 2015 and was scheduled to expire on April 30, 2019. The yearly allocation under the current contract is \$70,666.00 while the yearly allocation under the option-to-renew is \$159,000.00.

Pen-Link, Ltd. is the sole source proprietor of all Pen-Link software products, including maintenance and support services, and thus is the only vendor able to maintain and update MDPD's System. Due to the critical role the System plays in MDPD's ability to track and locate suspects for police investigations, it is vital that the System be functional and upgraded with emerging technologies.

Under the contract, Pen-Link, Ltd., will perform the following :

- Premium maintenance and Support: Premium Maintenance includes Software Updates, Software Upgrades, and Premium Technical Support as defined herein.
- Software Update: A Software Update is an enhancement—including additions, changes, and bug fixes—to Pen-Link Software. Software Updates occur within the same major version number of an existing software product. For example, replacing Pen-Link v8.1.29.0 with Pen-Link v8.1.30.0 would constitute a Software Update. Such an update is often referred to as a "New Build" of the Pen-Link Software.
- Software Upgrade: A Software Upgrade is the replacement of an older major version of an existing Pen-Link Software product or products, with a newer major version of a Pen-Link Software product or products, to the extent required to maintain the same operational functionality that was supported by the Pen-Link Software prior to the upgrade. For example, upgrading from Pen-Link Version 7 to Pen-Link Version 8 (where 8 is the newer major version) would constitute a Software Upgrade, so long as the installation of the newer version of the Pen-Link Software supported at least the same operational functionality that the Customer had under Pen-Link version 7. Upgrades do **not** apply to *new* software products that Pen-Link, Ltd. may release to the commercial market from time to time in the future.

The agenda item indicates that it would be cost prohibitive for the County to compete this project despite the availability of competition.

OCA conducted a search of the contract's Commodity Code is 68087 (Surveillance and Counter Surveillance Equipment). One local SBE-G&S certified firms was found on the Business Management Workforce System under the aforementioned code.

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OCA reviewed the “Non-Competitive IT Project Review” sheet located in the BTS system. A question on the sheet inquires as to “How long would the legacy system need to be maintained and operational” to which the stated response is indefinitely. This same sheet identifies JSI Telecom as another vendor that offers similar services. Pen-Link, LTD is a foreign corporation with an address of 5944 Vandervoort Drive, Lincoln Drive, Lincoln, NE 68516, according to Sunbiz, the official website for the Division of Corporations for the State of Florida. Pen-Link, LTD does not have an account with the Miami-Dade County Tax Collector’s office. OCA conducted a search for any filed or adjudicated law-suits for this firm, no law-suits were found.

**DEPARTMENTAL INPUT**

OCA posed the following questions to the Internal Services Department on February 11, 2019.

- What is the cost estimate for this service from JSI Telecom?
- In two years when the option to renew expires, how will the County open this contract to other service providers
- Does MDPD prefer a proprietary system due to privacy and security concerns?

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.**

Pen-Link, LTD has been awarded a Single Source Purchase Contract (PUR 7776) with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement for annual software licensing and maintenance renewal for the Pen-Link software site license professional version. Also includes replacement servers for the Pen-Link system. The justification used by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement was identical to the justification provided by MDPD.

“FDLE currently owns a LINCOLN/Pen-Link system. This system is active and requires annual maintenance to include updates to software, new configurations to overcome identified challenges and troubleshooting support during investigative activities. Additionally, data retrieved from this technology must be analyzed to provide useful leads to investigators. This analysis is accomplished by providing both FDLE and outside agencies, analysts and investigators with technology to collate and analyze raw data.”

[http://www.myflorida.com/apps/vbs/adoc/F17073\\_SS1736PenLinkPUR7776.pdf](http://www.myflorida.com/apps/vbs/adoc/F17073_SS1736PenLinkPUR7776.pdf)

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**Item No. 3B  
File No. 190164**

**Researcher: PGE Reviewer: TD**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT NO. 1 RC GLOBAL TEL\*LINK CORPORATION FOR CONTRACT NO. RFP847, PAY PHONES, PAY PHONE SERVICES, PAY PHONE SUBSCRIPTION SERVICES, INMATE TELEPHONE SERVICES, AND JAIL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR THE MIAMI-DADE CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION DEPARTMENT, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT, AND THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET FOR A JAIL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM SOLUTION, EXTEND THE CONTRACT TERM UP TO FIVE YEARS AND MODIFY LIQUIDATED DAMAGES PROVISION; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYORS DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS OF THE CONTRACT PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-8.1 OF THE COUNTY CODE AND IMPLEMENTING ORDER 3-38

**ISSUE/REQUESTED ACTION**

Whether the Board should approve a contract modification to *Contract No. RFP847, Pay Phones, Pay Phone Services, Pay Phone Subscription Services, Inmate Telephone Services and Jail Management System*, to extend the term by up to five years, revise the liquidated damages provision and accept a proposal for a Jailhouse Management Solution in lieu of what was originally agreed to.

**APPLICABLE LEGISLATION/POLICY**

**Section 2-8.1 of the County Code** (Contracts and Purchases Generally) applies to all contracts for public improvements and purchases of all supplies, materials and services other than professional services and (1) requires formal sealed bids for purchases over \$250,000; (2) describes the circumstances under which non-competitive purchases may be approved; (3) establishes requirements for legacy purchases, designated purchases, and single vehicle leases; and (4) provides that procurement procedures shall be established by I.O. and approved by the Board.

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**Resolution No. R-716-12**, adopted September 4, 2012, requires identification of a firm's small business enterprise program certification in any procurement item submitted for Board approval.

<http://intra/gia/matter.asp?matter=121265&file=true&yearFolder=Y2012>

**Resolution No. R-187-12**, adopted February 21, 2012, directs the County Mayor to include due diligence information in memoranda recommending certain contract awards.

<http://intra/gia/legistarfiles/MinMatters/Y2012/120287min.pdf>

**Resolution No. R-598-14**, adopted July 1, 2014, authorized execution of an agreement with Global Tel\*Link Corporation for the acquisition of pay phones, pay phone services, pay phone subscription services, inmate telephone services and a jail management system for the Corrections and Rehabilitation, Information Technology and Management and Budget departments for an initial five-year term plus three, one-year options to renew.

<http://intra/gia/matter.asp?matter=141307&file=true&yearFolder=Y2014>

**Resolution No. R-749-09**, adopted June 2, 2009, directed the County Mayor to provide notice to the Board within five business days of when the administration either waives a material breach of a contract awarded by the Board or allows a vendor more than 30 days to cure a material breach of a contract awarded by the Board.

<http://intra/gia/matter.asp?matter=090488&file=true&yearFolder=Y2009>

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**Resolution No. R-391-17**, adopted April 4, 2017, directed the County Mayor to conduct competitive selections whenever feasible instead of expanding the term or services under existing contracts to include in any recommendation to this Board for the expansion of term or services under existing contracts a written justification of why a competitive process is not feasible as well as including to the maximum extent possible in any such proposed expansion of term or services any requirements of ordinances or resolutions adopted by the Board subsequent to the initial contract award.

<http://intra/gia/matter.asp?matter=170534&file=true&yearFolder=Y2017>

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<http://www.miamidade.gov/aopdfdoc/aopdf/pdffiles/IO3-38.pdf>

**PROCEDURAL HISTORY**

**Prime Sponsor:** N/A

**Department/Requester:** Internal Services

The item has no procedural history.

**ANALYSIS**

This item is requesting Board authorization of Supplemental Agreement No. 1 to the County's contract with Global Tel\*Link (GTL) for pay phones, pay phone services, pay phone subscription services, inmate telephone services and a jail management system. On July 1, 2014, pursuant to Resolution No. R-598-14, the Board authorized execution of an agreement with GTL for the acquisition of pay phones, pay phone services, pay phone subscription services, inmate telephone services and a jail management system for the Corrections and Rehabilitation, Information Technology and Management and Budget departments for an initial five-year term plus three, one-year options to renew.

The contract, which is in its initial term, expires on July 31, 2019. Under the contract, GTL shall deliver the following specific services: (a) the furnishing, installation, servicing and operation of payphones and local and long distance services for the installed base of payphone and instruments at current and potentially future County locations; (b) the inmate system and associated services at the Corrections and Rehabilitation Department; and (c) a jail management system, including software, installation, integration, data conversion, training and maintenance and technical support services.

As stated in the mayoral memorandum accompanying Resolution No. R-598-14, the negotiated projected revenue to the County over the initial five-year term is \$16,400,000. Per the contract, GTL agrees to pay the County an amount equal to 67 percent of monthly gross revenues within 10 days following the end of each month during the term. GTL shall pay the County \$2,500,000 as a Minimum Annual Guarantee during year 1. For all subsequent years, GTL guarantees an amount equal to 80 percent of the previous year's commission. Information pertaining to whether GTL has satisfied these financial obligations is absent from this agenda item.

The supplemental agreement is proposed because GTL has not met its obligation to deliver a jailhouse management solution. The County issued a Notice of Default with a demand to cure within 30 days. To cure the default, GTL agreed to contract with a third-party provider (DXC Technology) to provide the County the required solution. Under the supplemental agreement, the parties agree to the following:



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- The County shall accept the proposal for a jailhouse management solution provided on November 19, 2018 by contractor in lieu of contractor's obligation under the contract;
- Contractor shall not be released of its contractual obligations until full acceptance of the proposed solution by the County; if the contractor is unable to provide an acceptable solution, the contractor shall pay the County liquidated damages in the amount of \$7,829,623; and
- The contract's original term is extended by five years.

The provision of the jail management solution by DXC Technology shall be at GTL's sole expense. The solution shall have approximately 3,000 County users and shall include various functional areas, such as Offender, Booking (cases and charges), Facility Management, Housing, Incidents and Offender Requests. The solution will cost GTL \$7,829,623, i.e. \$1,563,600 for Software Licensing; \$2,171,377 for Phase One; \$2,187,350 for Phases Two and Three; and \$1,907,296 for Maintenance and Support Costs. Note that the Proposal Acceptance document provided in the agenda package has neither been signed by GTL nor DXC Technology.

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**Item No. 3C  
File No. 190150**

**Researcher: LE Reviewer: TD**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF DORAL, WHICH PROVIDES ACCESS TO THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY COMPUTER-AIDED DISPATCH (CAD) SYSTEM; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SIMILAR INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS WITH OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT PARTNERS; APPROVING TERMS OF SUCH AGREEMENTS; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE THE CANCELLATION, AMENDMENT, AND TERMINATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN

**ISSUE/REQUESTED ACTION**

Whether the Board should authorize execution of an interlocal agreement with the City of Doral to provide access to the Miami-Dade County Computer-Aided Dispatch (CAD) System; and authorize execution of similar interlocal agreements with other law enforcement partners.

**APPLICABLE LEGISLATION/POLICY**

N/A

**PROCEDURAL HISTORY**

**Prime Sponsor: Commissioner Joe A. Martinez, District 11**

**Department/Requester: Miami-Dade Police Department**

The proposed resolution has no procedural history.

**ANALYSIS**

This item is requesting Board authorization to execute an interlocal agreement with the City of Doral to provide access to the Miami-Dade County Computer-Aided Dispatch (CAD) System; and authorize execution of similar interlocal agreements with other law enforcement partners.

There is no fiscal impact as the law enforcement agencies will reimburse the County for all associated costs.

The CAD system allows Miami-Dade Police Department (MDPD) dispatchers to send information to police units such as calls for service via mobile data terminals and to announce the call details to field units over a two-way radio system. Through the installation of necessary network connectivity to the CAD and ancillary software applications, several law enforcement agencies will have access to the CAD system in order to respond to service calls in a more efficient manner as it is an integral component of the Emergency 911 System. The single technology solution and interlocal agreements will improve response to service calls for police services across the County.

The City of Doral will agree to acknowledge incidents either via the radio or through its Premier Mobile Data Computing (PMDC) application, provide an eight week notification prior to changing any police boundaries and patrol areas, be held responsible for all associated costs, reimburse the County, and provide payment in full to the MDPD on October 1<sup>st</sup> of each year in the amount for the next 12 month period through the termination of the agreement.

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The County, by and through the MDPD, will agree to provide full call taking and dispatch services to the City for both emergency and non-emergency calls for services, receive and answer City of Doral's police service calls through the same screening and processing by all call takers, appropriately dispatch calls, provide access to MDPD CAD and connectivity for records management purposes, and invoice the City for the provided services on a yearly basis.

The interlocal agreement between the City of Doral and Miami-Dade County is set to terminate September 30, 2025.

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**Item No. 3D  
File No. 190151**

**Researcher: MF Reviewer: TD**

RESOLUTION RETROACTIVELY APPROVING THE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT WITH THE PALM BEACH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND SUBSCRIBING LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES AND MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, THROUGH THE MIAMI-DADE POLICE DEPARTMENT, FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR FROM THE DATE ALL PARTIES SIGN AND AUTOMATICALLY RENEWING EACH YEAR THEREAFTER FOR UP TO FIVE ADDITIONAL ONE-YEAR TERMS, UNLESS TERMINATED; RETROACTIVELY AUTHORIZING THE ACTION OF THE COUNTY MAYOR OR THE COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE IN EXECUTING THE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR THE COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE AMENDMENTS, RENEWALS, TERMINATION AND OTHER PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN

**ISSUE/REQUESTED ACTION**

Whether the Board should retroactively approve the Mutual Aid Agreement with the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office and subscribing law enforcement agencies and Miami-Dade County, through the Miami-Dade Police Department, for a period of one year from the date all parties sign and automatically renewing each thereafter for up to five additional one-year terms, unless terminated.

**APPLICABLE LEGISLATION/POLICY**

Florida Statutes, Section 23.12, the Florida Mutual Aid Act, states that "[b]ecause of the existing and continuing possibility of the occurrence of natural or manmade disasters or emergencies and other major law enforcement problems, and in order to ensure that preparations of this state will be adequate to deal with such activity, protect the public peace and safety, and preserve the lives and property of the people of the State, it is encouraged to create a state law enforcement mutual aid plan which provides for the command and coordination of law enforcement planning, operations, and mutual aid."

[http://www.leg.state.fl.us/Statutes/index.cfm?App\\_mode=Display\\_Statute&URL=0000-0099/0023/0023.html](http://www.leg.state.fl.us/Statutes/index.cfm?App_mode=Display_Statute&URL=0000-0099/0023/0023.html)

**PROCEDURAL HISTORY**

**Prime Sponsor: Commissioner Joe A. Martinez, District 11**

**Department/Requester: Miami-Dade Police**

The proposed resolution has no procedural history.

**ANALYSIS**

The proposed resolution requests the Board's retroactive approval of the Mutual Aid Agreement with the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office and subscribing law enforcement agencies and Miami-Dade County, through the Miami-Dade Police Department, for a period of one year from the date all parties sign and automatically renewing each thereafter for up to five additional one-year terms, unless terminated.

The MDPD has been invited to join a new task force whose mission is to combat auto theft crime. The lead agency is the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office. The participating agencies include the Sheriff's Offices of Broward and Martin Counties, Boca Raton Police Department, Boynton Beach Police Department, Delray Beach Police Department, Town of Lake Clarke Shores Police Department, and the Florida Highway Patrol.

By entering into this Mutual Aid Agreement, the agencies allow voluntary cooperation across jurisdictional lines, establish joint operations to combat auto theft and are authorized to take any and all necessary law enforcement action in the investigation, apprehension and arrest of individuals while involved in task force operations.

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The subscribing law enforcement agencies render law enforcement assistance to each other for the purposes of jointly addressing auto theft activity, including vehicle/title fraud investigations, dealership fraud investigations, identity theft as it relates to auto theft and vehicle/title fraud, the import/export of vehicles at the Port of Palm Beach, Port Everglades in Fort Lauderdale, and PortMiami, “chop shops”, salvage yards, vehicle and vessel dealerships, repair shops, tow and salvage yards, and scrap metal facilities.

According to the Fiscal Impact Statement, the proposed resolution will generate no fiscal impact for the County.

**DEPARTMENT INPUT**

The Office of the Commission Auditor posed the following questions to the Miami-Dade Police Department, and is awaiting its answers:

- **Has the Mutual Aid Agreement already entered into force?** Yes, the Agreement has been signed.
- **If so, what actions have been undertaken under the Agreement?** The Miami-Dade Police Department is participating in this Task Force and is conducting joint investigations with Task Force partners. Consistent with the Task Force, the investigations cross jurisdiction lines.
- **What other law enforcement agencies are parties to the Agreement?** The lead agency is the Palm Beach County Sheriff’s Office, along with the Sheriff’s Offices of Broward and Martin Counties, and several other agencies. Other agencies include Boca Raton Police Department, Boynton Beach Police Department, Delray Beach Police Department, Town of Lake Clarke Shores Police Department, and the Florida Highway Patrol.