

City Council

Approval of Interlocal Agreement with Lewis County for Jail Services

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Title

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Recommended Action Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a Committee

City Manager Recommendation:

Move to approve and authorize the mayor to sign an interlocal agreement with Lewis County for jail services.

Report

Issue:

The City is required by law to provide for the incarceration of misdemeanants sentenced in its jurisdiction. The City has its own 28-bed jail facility to house short-term (30-days or less) prisoners. It has traditionally purchased long-term jail services from other jurisdictions. Since 2011, the City has purchased beds from Lewis County. A new contract is needed with Lewis County for continued purchase of jail services.

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Presenter(s):

Laura Wohl, Administrative Services Manager

Background and Analysis:

The City of Olympia is currently contracting with Lewis County for inmate beds. The attached Lewis County contract continues Olympia's use of Lewis County jail services. The new contract guarantees Olympia's use of 20 beds/day. It includes a 5% increase in the bed rate, from \$50/bed/day to \$52.50/bed/day. In addition, it includes the ability to house "high needs" inmates who have specific oversight needs that cannot be met at the City jail. The fee for "high needs" inmates is \$70/bed/day.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

NA

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Options:

1. Approve the Interlocal Agreement and continue to use Lewis County jail services

2. Do not approve the Interlocal Agreement and direct staff to either contract with another agency or to house fewer suspects/criminals.

Financial Impact:

The City is obligated by the contract to pay for 20 beds/day for a total of \$383,250. Additional beds may be purchased as needed, dependent upon space availability in the Lewis County Jail. In addition, "high needs" beds can be purchased as needed, with mutual agreement between the City and the County, and these beds are in addition to the contracted guaranteed 20 beds.