

Cooperative Agreement with the County of Orange, Orange County Sheriff's Department

Transit Police Services (TPS) – Overview

- Transit Police Services (sworn law enforcement) provided by Orange County Sheriff's Department (OCSD) since 1993
- TPS supports OCTA's mission of providing a safe, reliable transit system
- 5-year contract term previously approved on July 13, 2020
- TPS Bureau currently consists of 36 total staff*
 - 1 Captain
 - 6 Sergeants
 - 1 Investigator
 - 27 Deputies
 - 1 Office Technician

*Includes April 2025 amendment approved by the Board of Directors (Board) to include initial step of expanded services for the OC Streetcar; including 1 sergeants and 2 deputies

OCTA – Orange County Transportation Authority

Current Transit Police Services

OCSD Regular Services

- Fixed-Route Transit Police Team (uniformed patrol)
- Right-of-Way Enforcement and Investigations Team
- Community-Oriented Policing Team (Behavioral Health Liaisons)
- Explosives Detection Canine Teams / Bomb Technician
- Administrative Team

OCSD Specialized Services

- Visible Intermodal Prevention and Response
- Anti-Terror Anti-Crime Operations
- Mounted Enforcement (Environmental Mitigation Program)
- Special Transit Services as Needed

OC Streetcar Team Implementation

- October 2024 — Board approved a safety and security approach for the OC Streetcar including TPS and security personnel
- April 2025 — Board approved pre-revenue request through June 30, 2025
 - 1 Sergeant
 - 2 Deputies
- Request for revenue operations in TPS 5-year contract renewal
 - 1 Sergeant (existing)
 - 6 Deputies (2 existing and 4 additional for revenue operations)

Board – Board of Directors

Financial Impact

- Cost reflects 40 total staff, existing services, and addition of OC Streetcar security needs
- Contract includes flexibility for future amendments based on service demand
- Visible Intermodal Protection/Response and Anti-Terror Anti-Crime activities are funded by the Transit Security Grant Program totaling \$116,600
- Fiscal year 2025-26 cost for services is \$15,523,166

Recommendation

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute Agreement No. C-5-4051 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and the County of Orange, Orange County Sheriff's Department, for a five-year term effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2030, in the initial amount of \$15,523,166 to fund transit police services provided from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2030.