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ABBREVIATED CONSENT CALENDAR FORMAT

Memorandum Date: September 12, 2011
Order Date: September 28, 2011

TO: Board of County Commissioners
DEPARTMENT: Sheriff's Office
PRESENTED BY: Greg Fox, Captain, Community Corrections Division
AGENDA ITEM TITLE: IN THE MATTER OF DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE A \$187,000 CONTRACT WITH EMERGENCE, INC. TO PROVIDE DRUG TREATMENT SERVICES AND HOUSING ASSISTANCE FUNDED BY A DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE/BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT

I. **MOTION** Move to Delegate Authority To The County Administrator To Execute A \$187,000 Contract With Emergence, Inc. To Provide Drug Treatment Services And Housing Assistance Funded By A Department Of Justice/Bureau Of Justice Assistance Grant

II. **DISCUSSION**

A. **Background / Analysis**

The Lane County was awarded a \$500,000 Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance Grant to operate an in-custody Treatment and Transition program at the jail (10-10-06-06). As the program was about to open, budget issues forced the closure of 84 jail beds. This made it impossible for the Sheriff's Office to hold beds for participants in a treatment program, when more dangerous offenders would need the beds. Therefore, it became necessary to modify the treatment program to an out-patient program. The funding agency approved our grant modification request in late August and the program protocols have since been reworked.

Emergence, Inc. was identified during the grant proposal phase as being the only drug treatment provider in the community that was capable of operating an in-custody, evidence-based program for both men and women, that had been

evaluated using the Corrections Programming Checklist (CPC) and received a successful evaluation. Emergence, Inc. has extensive experience working with offender populations. Therefore, the Sheriff's Office requested a Waiver from Competitive Selection for this award and it was granted. The program will now be operated as a community-based, out-of-custody program, but must adhere to the same evidence-based curriculum requirements as the program as originally proposed. The contract includes \$180,000 for treatment services and up to \$7,000 for housing assistance to participants. Since many of the people referred to this program are likely to be homeless upon release from jail, the recovery housing is vital to their success in the treatment program.

This grant was awarded in the fall of 2010, but has experienced a series of setbacks prior to and including the closure of the 84 jail beds. It is very important that we get the treatment program up and running as quickly as possible so that the funding agency doesn't have reason to question our commitment to the program.

B. Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board approve the motion to delegate authority to the County Administrator to execute a contract with Emergence, Inc. in the amount of \$187,000.

III. ATTACHMENTS

- 1) Board Order

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, LANE COUNTY, OREGON

ORDER:) IN THE MATTER OF DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO THE
) COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE A \$187,000
) CONTRACT WITH EMERGENCE, INC. TO PROVIDE DRUG
) TREATMENT SERVICES AND HOUSING ASSISTANCE
) FUNDED BY A DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE/BUREAU OF
 JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT

WHEREAS, the Lane County Drug Court was awarded a Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance grant in the amount of \$500,000, and

WHEREAS, the original grant proposal included an in-custody intensive drug treatment program, and

WHEREAS, due to budget reductions, the Sheriff's Office closed 84 beds at the jail making an in-custody program impossible, and

WHEREAS, Lane County Sheriff's Office submitted a grant modification to the funding agency to operate an out-of-custody treatment program, and

WHEREAS, Emergence, Inc. has the capability, experience, and specific credentials required by the funding agency, and

WHEREAS, Board approval is required for any contract that exceeds \$100,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the Board of County Commissioners delegates authority to the County Administrator to execute a contract with Emergence, Inc. to provide drug treatment services and housing assistance for an amount not to exceed \$187,000 to be funded by a Department of Justice/Bureau of Justice Assistance grant.

Adopted date: 28th day of September, 2011

Faye Stewart, Chair
Lane County Board of County Commissioners

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Date 9-15-11 Lane County


OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL

