

**CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM**  
CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

<b>AGENDA TITLE:</b>	Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Amendment to the Agreement with SCORE for Jail Services
<b>DEPARTMENT:</b>	City Manager's Office
<b>PRESENTED BY:</b>	Christina Arcidy, Management Analyst
<b>ACTION:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance <input type="checkbox"/> Resolution <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Discussion <input type="checkbox"/> Public Hearing

**PROBLEM/ISSUE STATEMENT:**

The City currently has contracts for jail services with the following three facilities: South Correctional Entity (SCORE) Regional Jail, Yakima County Jail, and the King County Jail in downtown Seattle. SCORE is the City's primary jailing and booking facility, housing approximately 95% of inmates being held pre-disposition that are ineligible for work release. Inmates being held post-disposition with sentences longer than three days are transferred to Yakima County Jail. The King County Jail in downtown Seattle is used when a defendant is booked or jailed on charges from multiple jurisdictions or on felony and City misdemeanor charges.

The proposed amendment to the City's existing agreement with SCORE would authorize an extension to cover 2019. The agreement requires that SCORE provide the City an estimate of daily rates for the upcoming year by July 1 each year. Tonight, staff are also bringing forward a proposed extension to the City's agreement with Yakima County Jail, covering 2019, for Council consideration.

**RESOURCE/FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The entire adopted 2018 criminal justice budget, which also funds court costs and public defense services, is \$3.533 million. The 10-Year Financial Sustainability Model presented to the City Council as part of the 2016 Budget process reflected the ability to reduce annual jail costs by \$200,000 by 2017 as a result of implementing the agreement with Yakima County. In 2017, the City saved \$466,000 by utilizing Yakima County Jail to house sentenced inmates instead of SCORE, which was an average savings of over \$39,000 per month. Through September 2018, the City has saved approximately \$157,000, or \$17,000 per month.

The City's adopted 2019 criminal justice budget of \$3.533 million represents 6.5% of the City's General Fund appropriations. Of that amount 64%, or \$2.0 million, is allocated toward jail services.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that Council authorize the City Manager to amend the agreement with SCORE to continue as the City's primary jail and booking facility for 2019.

Approved By:           City Manager ***DT***   City Attorney ***MK***

## **BACKGROUND**

The City of Shoreline is required by law to arrange for the booking and housing of its misdemeanor population. This requirement only relates to adults who commit offenses as those committed by defendants less than 18 years of age and all felony offenses are the responsibility of King County. As the City of Shoreline does not own its own jail facility, the City has contracted with multiple jail providers to house its inmates since incorporation.

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On July 28, 2014, Council approved execution of an agreement with SCORE for jail services. Materials from the July 28, 2014 meeting can be found here: <http://cosweb.ci.shoreline.wa.us/uploads/attachments/cck/council/staffreports/2014/staffreport072814-8a.pdf>.

On November 30, 2015, the Council discussed the City's jails services contracts and the possibility of transferring a portion of the City's sentenced inmate population to Yakima County Jail. Materials from the November 30, 2015 meeting can be found here: <http://cosweb.ci.shoreline.wa.us/uploads/attachments/cck/council/staffreports/2015/staffreport113015-8b.pdf>.

On November 27, 2017, the Council approved the amendment to the agreement with SCORE for jail housing services. Materials from the November 27, 2017 meeting can be found here: <http://cosweb.ci.shoreline.wa.us/uploads/attachments/cck/council/staffreports/2017/staffreport112717-7e.pdf>.

## **DISCUSSION**

### **Proposed Agreement with SCORE**

The proposed extension to the agreement with SCORE is attached to this staff report as Attachment A.

SCORE 2019 daily rates are based upon actual expenses from April 2017 – March 2018. Comparing the City's three contracted jail providers, Yakima and SCORE continue to be the City's best options with regard to cost:

<b>Jail Daily Rates</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
King County Jail	\$146.65	\$151.99	\$186.79	\$189.11	\$197.19
SCORE Jail Guaranteed Bed	\$97	\$105	\$108.78	\$120	\$124
SCORE Jail Non-Guaranteed Bed	\$135	\$157	\$162.65	\$175	\$180
Yakima County Jail	\$54.75	\$54.75	\$57.20	\$59.85	\$63.65

Staff propose maintaining the number of guaranteed beds (20 per day) allocated at the Guaranteed Bed rate.

**Yakima County Jail Contract**

An extension of the agreement with Yakima County Jail is also proposed tonight. Amending the agreement with Yakima County itself does not require amending the City’s current contract with SCORE. However, if Council does not authorize the extension to the agreement with Yakima County for jail services for 2019, inmates will be housed at SCORE at a much higher daily rate and the City would have to increase its number of guaranteed beds.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

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**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that Council authorize the City Manager to amend the agreement with SCORE to continue as the City’s primary jail and booking facility for 2019.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A: Draft Amendment to the Agreement with SCORE for Jail Services

## AMENDMENT #4 TO ORIGINAL AGREEMENT FOR INMATE HOUSING

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THIS AMENDMENT TO INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR INMATE HOUSING dated as of \_\_\_\_\_, **2018** (hereinafter "Amendment to Original Agreement") is made and entered into by and between the **South Correctional Entity**, a governmental administrative agency formed pursuant to RCW 39.34.030(3) ("SCORE") and the **City of Shoreline** (hereinafter the "City" and together with SCORE, the "Parties" or individually a "Party"). This Amendment to Original Agreement is intended to supplement and amend that certain Agreement for Inmate Housing between the Parties dated August 28, 2014, as it may have been previously amended (the "Original Agreement"). The Parties hereto mutually agree as follows:

1. **2019 Bed Rates.** Section 27 (Bed Rate) of the Original Agreement is hereby amended to include the following guaranteed and non-guaranteed bed rates for inmate housing:
 

Guaranteed Bed Rate:	\$124.00	<u>20</u> No. of Guaranteed Beds
Non-Guaranteed Bed Rate:	\$180.00	
  
2. **Effective Date; Execution.** The bed rates provided for in Section 1 of this Amendment to Original Agreement shall become effective **January 1, 2019**. This Amendment to Original Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts.
  
3. **Ratification and Confirmation.** All other terms and conditions of the Original Agreement are hereby ratified and confirmed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Amendment to Original Agreement as of the date first mentioned above.

### City of Shoreline

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

Name: Debbie Tarry  
Title: City Manager

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### South Correctional Entity (SCORE)

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

Name:  
Title: Executive Director

Date: \_\_\_\_\_