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MEMORANDUM

TO: Satpal Sidhu, County Executive

FROM: Bill Elfo, Sheriff 

DATE: February 9, 2023

SUBJECT: Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Bellingham Resident Office State and Local Task Force Agreement for Fiscal Year 2023.

Enclosed for your review and signature is one (1) original agreement between Whatcom County Sheriff's Office and the U.S. Department of Justice Drug Enforcement Administration. A similar agreement was sent through council in November of 2022, and assigned WCC#202211032. When sent to DEA for signature, they realized that the incorrect contract was sent to the Sheriff's Office. This new amendment changes the parent agency language and extends the expiration date from 9/30/23 to 9/30/26.

Background and Purpose

The Whatcom Gang and Drug Task Force is co-located with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and occupies space in the DEA facility. This is a no-cost no-reimbursement agreement required by DEA for the Sheriff's Office Drug Task Force Sergeant assigned to the DEA Bellingham Resident Office State and Local Task Force at the facility.

Funding Amount and Source

Each agency is responsible for their own personnel costs in this agreement. The Drug Task Force Sergeant is included in existing Whatcom County Sheriff's budget.

Difference from Previous Contract

N/A

Please contact Undersheriff Chadwick at extension 6618 if you have any questions or concerns regarding this request.

Thank you.