



**Sheriff's Department  
COUNTY OF TULARE  
AGENDA ITEM**

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**AGENDA DATE:** August 26, 2014

Public Hearing Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Published Notice Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advertised Published Notice	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Meet & Confer Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Electronic file(s) has been sent	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Personnel Resolution attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Agreements are attached and signature line for Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
CONTACT PERSON: Terrie Saenz, Fiscal Manager    PHONE: 636-4635				

**SUBJECT:** Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with Tulare County Regional Auto Theft Task Force.

**REQUEST(S):**

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve a memorandum of understanding with Tulare County Region Auto Theft Task Force, to provide personnel services to investigate, arrest and prosecute criminals responsible for vehicle thefts in Tulare County, effective January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2015. The memorandum of understanding is retroactive because it was finalized after the start of the contract term.
2. Find that the Board had authority to enter into the memorandum of understanding as of July 1, 2014, and that it was in the County's best interest to enter into the memorandum of understanding on that date.
3. Ratify and approve the Sheriff's signature on the Tulare County Regional Auto Theft Task Force memorandum of understanding.

**SUMMARY:**

Vehicle theft has become a major problem in the San Joaquin Valley. In 2006, according to the National Insurance Crime Bureau, Tulare County was ranked third nationally with respect to auto thefts. In an effort to combat vehicle thefts, Tulare County law enforcement agencies have agreed to combine resources and work cooperatively to more effectively enforce the vehicle theft law of the State of California and to investigate other criminal activity relating to the vehicle theft problem.

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Tulare County Regional Auto Theft Task Force (T-RATT) was formed to do just that. Tulare County law enforcement agencies participating in T-RATT include the Tulare County Sheriff's Department, Dinuba, Exeter, Farmersville, Lindsay, Porterville, Tulare, Visalia and Woodlake Police Departments. Additionally, Tulare County District Attorney's Office, Tulare County Probation Department and the California Highway Patrol also participate in the Task Force. Each agency assigns personnel to the Task Force to investigate arrest and prosecute criminals responsible for vehicle thefts in Tulare County.

This memorandum of understanding deviates from County Contract Protocol in that 1) the term is for two years; 2) mutual liability clause included instead of indemnification; and 3) the agreement allows any party to terminate without cause.

**FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:**

Each agency contributing personnel resources to T-RATT will be responsible for the salaries and benefits of their participating staff. The salaries and benefits for Sheriff's personnel are included in the Sheriff's 2014/2015 operating budget and will be included in 2015/2016 operating budget, as well.

**LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:**

The County's five-year strategic plan includes the Safety and Security Initiative to effectively and fairly investigate arrest, prosecute and punish individuals who engage in criminal behaviors. This memorandum of understanding will help fulfill this initiative by reducing the incidents of vehicle theft and vehicle theft related crimes within Tulare County through aggressive, innovative and proactive enforcement and educational measures.

**ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:**

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Mike Boudreaux  
Sheriff-Coroner

Cc: Auditor-Controller  
County Counsel  
County Administrative Office (2)

Attachment: Tulare County Regional Auto Theft Task Force Memorandum of Agreement

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVE )  
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ) Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_  
WITH TULARE COUNTY REGIONAL AUTO ) Agreement No. \_\_\_\_\_  
THEFT TASK FORCE )

UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISOR \_\_\_\_\_, SECONDED BY  
SUPERVISOR \_\_\_\_\_, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN OFFICIAL MEETING HELD \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:

ATTEST: JEAN M. ROUSSEAU  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/  
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

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