



# Sheriff's Department

## COUNTY OF TULARE

### AGENDA ITEM

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**AGENDA DATE:** January 11, 2011

Public Hearing Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Published Notice Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advertised Published Notice	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Meet & Confer Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Electronic file(s) has been sent	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Personnel Resolution attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Resolution, Ordinance or Agreements are attached and signature line for Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s) Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						

CONTACT PERSON: Terrie Saenz, ASO III PHONE: 636-4635

**SUBJECT:** Approve Fixed-Asset Purchase of a Digital Body Wire Surveillance Device

**REQUEST(S):**  
That the Board of Supervisors:

Approve fixed-asset purchase of a digital body wire surveillance device not to exceed \$21,500.

**SUMMARY:**

The Sheriff's Department is requesting authorization to purchase a state-of-the-art digital body wire surveillance device to replace antiquated equipment. The body wire device will have the capability to produce high-quality audio and video recordings related to drug trafficking and marijuana investigations in Tulare County.

Funding for the device is available from the recently awarded Marijuana Suppression Program grant that was approved by your Board on October 19, 2010—Resolution No. 2010-0858. The purpose of the program is to enhance investigation, arrest, and successful prosecution of marijuana cultivators and traffickers in Tulare and Fresno Counties. The project team consists of the Tulare County Sheriff's Department, the Fresno County Sheriff's Office, the Tulare County District Attorney's Office, and the Fresno County District Attorney's Office.

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**FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:**

The cost of the digital body wire surveillance device will not exceed \$21,500. The funding will come from the Cal EMA Marijuana Suppression Program. The grant funds for the purchase of the body wire are included in the Sheriff's FY 2010/2011 operating budget. There will be no net County cost.

**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. The digital body wire surveillance device will help fulfill this initiative through the investigation and prosecution of marijuana cultivators and traffickers.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

N/A.

**INVOLVEMENT OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS OR AGENCIES:**

The Purchasing Department will coordinate the purchase of the body wire in accordance with the County's purchasing policy. The District Attorney's Office is a partner in the South Valley Marijuana Suppression Program.

**ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:**

 12-22-10

Bill Wittman  
Sheriff-Coroner

Cc: Auditor/Controller  
County Counsel  
County Administrative Office (2)  
Purchasing Department  
District Attorney

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

IN THE MATTER OF Approve Fixed- )  
Asset Purchase of a Digital Body )  
Wire Surveillance Device )

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
AGREEMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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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