



# City of Carson

## Report to Mayor and City Council

November 19, 2013  
New Business Discussion

**SUBJECT: CONSIDER APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO ASSIST THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT  
IN RESPONDING TO THE RECENT INCREASE IN STREET ROBBERIES**

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### **I. SUMMARY**

This item is on the agenda at the request of Councilman Gipson.

While overall, crime is down in Carson, the one area where crime has increased is street robberies. Therefore, Councilman Gipson had requested staff to discuss with Captain Rivero the cost and associated benefit of increasing Sheriff's services in the near term to address this increase in street robberies. Staff has done that and therefore recommends an increase to the Sheriff's contract.

### **II. RECOMMENDATION**

TAKE the following actions:

1. APPROVE an increase in the Sheriff's contract for FY 2013/14 in the amount of \$39,000.00.
2. APPROPRIATE \$39,000.00 from the unallocated general fund balance to cover the costs of the additional Sheriff's services.

### **III. ALTERNATIVES**

TAKE any other action the City Council deems appropriate.

### **IV. BACKGROUND**

The increase in street robberies since the end of summer is of concern to the City and the Sheriff's Department. Therefore, at the request of Councilman Gipson, staff conferred with Captain Rivero on appropriate ways to address the problem. After discussion, the consensus is that the City should augment the current service level by two additional patrol deputies for the next eight weeks. The two additional deputies will work an 8-hour shift, 4-days per week, on a schedule to be determined by the Captain. The presence of additional deputies will serve as a deterrent to those considering criminal activities. After the eight week period, the Captain will evaluate the success of the additional patrol and make a recommendation as to the need to continue the higher level of service.

**V. FISCAL IMPACT**

If Council approves the staff recommendation, \$39,000.00 will need to be appropriated from the unallocated general fund balance to account number 01-90-905-117-6005. The current balance of the unallocated general fund is \$16,560,859.00.

**VI. EXHIBITS**

None.

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Reviewed by:

City Clerk	City Treasurer
Administrative Services	Public Works
Community Development	Community Services

**Action taken by City Council**

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