



Police Department
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Item # 17

City of Santa Ana
20 Civic Center Plaza, Santa Ana, CA 92701
Staff Report
June 17, 2025

TOPIC: Inmate Meals and Commissary Services Agreement

AGENDA TITLE

Fifth Amendment to Agreement with Aramark Correctional Services, LLC (General Fund)

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Authorize the City Manager to execute a fifth amendment to the agreement with Aramark Correctional Services, LLC, to provide inmate meals and commissary services for an additional three-month period from July 1, 2025 through September 30, 2025, in the additional amount of \$500,000 for a total aggregate amount not to exceed \$8,183,326 (Agreement No. A-2025-XXX).

GOVERNMENT CODE §84308 APPLIES: Yes

DISCUSSION

In January 2025, City staff began the Request for Proposals (RFP) process for contracted food service and inmate commissary services at the Santa Ana Jail. On March 17, 2025, the Police Department issued Request for Proposals (RFP #25-038) on the City's online bid management and publication system to identify and qualify suitable vendors capable of providing inmate meals and commissary services in accordance with the State of California's Title 15 nutritional requirements and in compliance with all health and safety standards. The RFP process is nearing its final stage but the Police Department requires additional time to select a vendor and negotiate a new agreement.

Aramark Correctional Services, LLC ("Aramark") is the Police Department's current provider of inmate meals. It also operates the Department's cafeteria (Code 7 Cafe) and manages the inmate commissary program. The City Council approved the original three-year agreement on October 20, 2020 and has since approved subsequent amendments to increase the compensation amount due to Consumer Price Index and/or to extend the term.

The agreement with Aramark is set to expire on June 30, 2025. This amendment is necessary to provide continuity of services until the procurement process is completed

and a new agreement is executed. Aramark has agreed to provide services in the interim, identical to the agreement currently in place, through September 30, 2025. Aramark has been responsive and accommodating in servicing the current agreement, and staff recommends approval of this three-month extension while the RFP process is completed. The Police Department intends to present the new agreement with the selected vendor for City Council's approval before September 30, 2025.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

There is no environmental impact associated with this action.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds will be available upon City Council adoption of the FY 25-26 budget for expenditure as follows:

Fiscal Year	Accounting Unit - Account No.	Fund Description	Accounting Unit, Account Description	Amount
FY 25-26	01114475-62300	General Fund	Jail Operations, Contract Services- Professional	\$500,000

EXHIBIT(S)

1. Fifth Amendment to Agreement with Aramark Correctional Services, LLC

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Approved By: Alvaro Nuñez, City Manager