



WASHOE COUNTY

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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: February 26, 2019

DATE: January 17, 2019

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Valerie Moser, Fiscal Manager
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THROUGH: Darin Balaam, Sheriff

SUBJECT: Recommendation to approve and authorize retroactive Non-County Employee Travel Expenses of [\$506.96, no cost to the County] using federal forfeiture funding on November 14, 2018 for Sheriff Elect Balaam to attend the quarterly Nevada High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) board meeting in Las Vegas to prepare for the transition of the change in Elected Sheriff of the Washoe County Sheriff's Office. (All Commission Districts)

SUMMARY

The Washoe County Sheriff's Office's participates in the Nevada High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Task Force. The funding of these task forces is awarded to the Las Vegas Metro Police Department and operated by the HIDTA board. The Sheriff of Washoe County sits on this board. Funding received as a result of the board's decisions is used cover overtime, investigative, and travel expenses for participation of the Washoe County Sheriff's Office in the Northern Nevada Drug Task Force as part of the Nevada High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Task Force.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Safe, secure and healthy communities.

PREVIOUS ACTION

None

BACKGROUND

The mission of the HIDTA program is to disrupt the market for illegal drugs in the United States by assisting federal, state and local law enforcement entities participating in the HIDTA program in the dismantling and disruption of drug trafficking organizations.

AGENDA ITEM # _____

Washoe County became part of Northern Nevada HIDTA Task Force in the fall of 2006, when the Board formally approved the Washoe County Sheriff's participation by way of interlocal agreement on November 13, 2006.

This travel was for the newly elected Sheriff to attend the HIDTA meeting along with the current Sheriff to help in transition to the Office.

FISCAL IMPACT

Expenses for the non-county employee travel will be covered within the Sheriff's Office federal forfeiture account (IO 10065).

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners approve and authorize retroactive Non-County Employee Travel Expenses of [\$506.96, no cost to the County] using federal forfeiture funding on November 14, 2018 for Sheriff Elect Balaam to attend the quarterly Nevada High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) board meeting in Las Vegas to prepare for the transition of the change in Elected Sheriff of the Washoe County Sheriff's Office.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be to move to approve and authorize retroactive Non-County Employee Travel Expenses of [\$506.96, no cost to the County] using federal forfeiture funding on November 14, 2018 for Sheriff Elect Balaam to attend the quarterly Nevada High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) board meeting in Las Vegas to prepare for the transition of the change in Elected Sheriff of the Washoe County Sheriff's Office.