DATE: December 15, 2015

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jeffrey D Draper, Director, Facilities and Fleet

SUBJECT: Jail ADA Modifications Project

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Consider recommendations relating to Jail Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Modifications Project. (Facilities and Fleet Department)

Possible action:

a. Approve establishment of a capital improvement project for Initial Scope Development of Main Jail and Elmwood Complex ADA modifications, Project No. 263-CP16020.

b. Approve Request for Appropriation Modification No. 130 - $500,000 transferring funds from General Fund Contingency to Project No. 263-CP16020, relating to Main Jail and Elmwood Complex ADA modifications. (4/5 Roll Call Vote)

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

There is a net impact to the General Fund as a result of this action; the Appropriation Modification transfers $500,000 from the General Fund Contingency account to the new Capital Project 263-CP16020. The needs of this project were not evident when the initial Fiscal Year 2016 Capital Program Projects was developed. As such, contingency funds are needed to make the modifications.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

The County conducted an evaluation of ADA issues related to inmates with mobility disabilities who are incarcerated at County jail facilities. Then, as part of an ongoing effort to ensure compliance with all ADA-related requirements, County Counsel requested additional analysis and a comprehensive evaluation of the Department of Correction’s ADA compliance as related to non-mobility disabilities. Addressing both of these evaluations requires updates to ADA accommodations within the jail facilities. This recommendation supports the development of the initial design solutions and construction cost estimates to determine the scope and cost magnitude of potential ADA modifications.

CHILD IMPACT

Board of Supervisors: Mike Wasserman, Cindy Chavez, Dave Cortese, Ken Yeager, S. Joseph Simitian
County Executive: Jeffrey V. Smith
The recommended action will have no/neutral impact on children and youth.

**SENIOR IMPACT**
The recommended action would have a positive impact on seniors within the custodial populations. ADA modifications to detention facilities would enhance safety and access to services.

**SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS**
The recommended action would have positive sustainability implications as facility modifications provide opportunities to modernize aged facilities and incorporate new technologies that lead to energy conservation and energy efficiency.

**BACKGROUND**
In order to provide an alternative to potential litigation regarding inmates with mobility disabilities, County Counsel recommended that the Department of Correction (DOC) immediately arrange for an independent, expert ADA assessment related to mobility issues at the County jails. Following approval from the Director of Procurement, the Administration conducted an Informal Competitive Process in May 2015 and solicited proposals from vendors identified by County Counsel as meeting the required qualifications and experience. A contract was subsequently awarded to Sabot Consulting.

Following the initial assessment, County Counsel then recommended that DOC expand the services provided by Sabot Consulting to ensure that DOC is in compliance with all ADA requirements. The expanded services included an evaluation of DOC’s compliance as it relates to non-mobility disabilities. Approval of the Recommended Action would allow the development of solutions and cost estimates so that additional ADA accommodations can be added to the jail facilities.

**CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION**
Initial programming and designs to support any subsequent ADA modifications would not commence at this time.

**STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL**
The Clerk of the Board will notify Roger Soohoo of the Facilities and Fleet Department, and Martha Wapenski of the Office of the Sheriff.

**ATTACHMENTS:**
- F85 130 (PDF)
## COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA

### REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION MODIFICATION

**FISCAL YEAR = 2016**

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**TOTAL** | **500,000** | **500,000**

**REASON FOR REQUEST:** (Require to check one and indicate brief description)

- Re-appropriate prior year unspent expenditures (one-time)
- Others

**Brief Description:** This action transfers budget from Contingency Reserve to CP16020 for ADA repairs to the jails.

### OBA Log

- **F 85 Number:** 130

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### Clerk of the Board

- **Name:** Clerk of the Board
- **Date:**

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