
Sponsor: Sheriff's Office

Meeting Date: 11/18/2025

Title: General Contingency Account Fund Transfer

File Number: 2025-443

Background and Rationale:

Between June 14 and June 28, 2025, the Ramsey County Sheriff's Office incurred significant unbudgeted costs in response to multiple critical public safety incidents, including the targeted attack on state lawmakers. These events required an immediate and sustained deployment of resources to protect public officials, ensure community safety, and support partner agencies across several high-risk operations and large-scale public events.

The Sheriff's Office responded as part of a coordinated statewide response. This response included Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Team activation, investigative support, protective details, and operational staffing at the State Capitol, Emergency Operations Centers, and public events.

Following these incidents, the Sheriff's Office is experiencing increasing requests for security services. These realities reflect the changing nature of threats and underscore the continued need for adaptable, responsive services that allows agencies to act quickly and effectively in the face of emerging risks.

Due to the extraordinary and unanticipated nature of these incidents, the associated personnel and operational costs were not included in the 2025 budget. The Sheriff's Office requests funding from the General Contingency Account to cover expenses incurred during this period. This request also underscores the growing need for flexible, responsive budgeting to meet evolving public safety demands.

Recommendation:

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners resolved to:

Authorize the County Manager to transfer \$171,793 from the General Contingency Account to the Sheriff's Office 2025 budget.

A motion to approve was made by Commissioner Xiong, seconded by Commissioner Miller.
Motion passed.

Aye: - 6: Jebens-Singh, McGuire, McMurtrey, Miller, Ortega, and Xiong

Excused: - 1: Moran

By: 
Jason Yang, Chief Clerk - County Board