



CONTRA COSTA COUNTY OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF
DAVID O. LIVINGSTON
SHERIFF – CORONER

January 9, 2024

Ms. Tonya Parker-Mashburn
Field Representative – County Facilities Construction (CFC) Division
Board of State and Community Corrections
2590 Venture Oaks Way, Suite 200
Sacramento, CA 95833

Re: Contra Costa County SB 844 Scope Change Request

Dear Ms. Parker-Mashburn:

We are appreciative of the Board’s positive consideration of our Senate Bill 844 application and your ongoing support as we proceed with early site work for the new facility. This project has evolved, and we have identified a need for additional ADA beds from what was initially conceptualized. Via a change order in the design-build process, we will incorporate additional ADA beds into the design; however, that will necessitate the operational need for a scope change to reduce the total bed count of the facility.

The current Project Scope Summary indicates that “the facility will provide approximately 288 high-security beds consisting of standard and mental health housing,” which was to be accomplished by having 144 high-security, double-occupancy cells distributed across five (5) housing units. Each cell has the capacity to safely house two inmates with a standard upper and lower bunk bed sleeping arrangement. Two (2) of the housing units are designated to provide mental health treatment and services (referred to in the architectural drawings as Intensive Services Unit #1 and Special Services Unit #2), and three (3) are designed for general population (referred to in the architectural drawings as Standard Housing Unit #3, Standard Housing Unit #4, and Standard Housing Unit #5). The original project concept included just six (6) double occupancy ADA cells [12 beds] distributed across the five (5) housing units. One mental health housing unit – Intensive Services Unit #1 – had two (2) ADA compatible cells, while the remaining four (4) housing units have only one (1) ADA compatible cell each.

We have recognized a need to better serve the increasingly diverse incarcerated population who also require ADA accessible accommodations. Our intent is to provide the capability to adequately and safely house those incarcerated persons who require ADA accommodations across all classification levels. To accomplish this and increase the number of ADA cells in our project, we have made some design enhancements. The design of the Intensive Services Unit #1 was enhanced to include an additional sub-day room, which created three separate areas in the housing unit. The three areas allow the potential of three different classifications of incarcerated individuals to be housed safely. To maintain an ADA cell in each day room, one standard double-occupancy cell was converted to an ADA compatible double-occupancy cell with two lower ADA beds, raising

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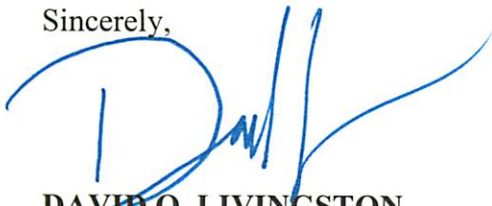
the ADA cell count in the Intensive Services Unit #1 to three total. In addition, through a change order in the design process, we are reconfiguring 16 standard cells; we are converting four (4) standard cells to two (2) additional ADA cells in each of the four (4) housing units currently slated for only one (1). The combining of cells will create eight (8) ADA accessible cells. The standard cells are designed to have a standard double-occupancy bunk bed style sleeping arrangement. Once the cells are combined and the ADA cells are completed, each newly formed ADA cell would have two ADA compatible lower bunks and two non-ADA compatible upper bunks. While still maintaining the same number of 288 high-security beds, this modification resulted in a decrease in the number of high-security, double-occupancy cells from 144 to 136 [144 - 8 = 136] distributed across the five (5) housing units and an increase in the number of ADA-accessible beds within the facility from 12 to 30.

To ensure consistency with cell occupancy standards of two incarcerated persons per cell and to enhance inmate safety and well-being, the Sheriff's Office prefers that the upper bunks in these newly formed ADA cells be removed. The elimination of 16 upper bunks from the eight (8) modified ADA accessible cells would reduce the total bed count of the facility from 288 to 272 [288 - 16 = 272]. This adjustment aims to improve the living conditions and create a safer and more typical environment for our inmates with disabilities who will be housed in our facility.

In summary, this scope change is to request to remove 16 standard upper bunks from the newly formed ADA accessible cells to maintain a double-occupancy standard facility wide. This adjustment enhances building functionality, allowing increased in-cell maneuverability, safety, and a more supportive environment for reentry programming and behavioral health elements for the population who requires ADA accessible accommodations.

The Sheriff's Office appreciates your assistance in facilitating approval of this proposed project scope change. Our staff will attend the BSCC Board meeting when this matter is considered. If there is any additional information you require or if you have questions, please contact our project manager, Captain Doug Muse, at (510) 262-4225 or dmuse@so.cccounty.us.

Sincerely,



DAVID O. LIVINGSTON
Sheriff – Coroner

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Attachments:

Exhibit A – Architectural Drawings for Current Project Scope

Exhibit B – Architectural Drawings for Proposed Scope Change – Bunk Removal Locations

Exhibit C – Current Project Scope Summary

Exhibit D – Proposed Amendments to Project Scope Summary

**PROJECT SCOPE SUMMARY
SB 844 ADULT LOCAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE FACILITY PROJECT
CONTRA COSTA COUNTY
5555 GIANT HIGHWAY, RICHMOND CA 94806**

This project will design and construct a new stand-alone jail facility, consisting of five housing units, four of which contain a mezzanine level, on county-owned land in the city of Richmond. The project will provide spaces for housing; mental health, medical, and dental services; programming; and administrative and building support.

The facility will provide approximately 288 high-security beds consisting of standard and mental health housing. Each housing unit will include a dayroom, recreation space, classrooms, interview rooms, and a retherm servery. Programming and treatment space for medical/mental health and dental will be provided. The support area will provide space for vocational/reentry training, central control, holding cells, interview rooms, and both in-person and video visitation.

This project will include, but is not limited to utilities, electrical, plumbing, mechanical, heating, ventilation, air conditioning, communications, security site improvements, fire protection systems, security fencing, and all necessary appurtenances.

Approve / Disapprove / Approve with changes

Thomas Chalk

Assistant Sheriff

02/10/2022

Contra Costa County Authorized Representative

Date

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Approve / Disapprove

Steve Simpkins, Assistant Sheriff



Contra Costa County Authorized Representative

01/17/2024

Date