



# CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

## COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

**AGENDA DATE:** March 4, 2014

**TO:** Mayor and Councilmembers

**FROM:** Administrative Services Division, Police Department

**SUBJECT:** Law Enforcement Information Sharing Memorandum Of Understanding

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council authorize the City of Santa Barbara to participate in the Santa Barbara County Information Sharing System node (SBCISS) under the direction of the County of Law Enforcement Chiefs (CLEC), for the purposes of data sharing with the fifteen data sharing nodes throughout the state of California.

### **DISCUSSION:**

In 2008, the County of Santa Barbara Law Enforcement Chiefs (CLEC) acquired the data sharing application called Coplink, which was funded through the County of Santa Barbara Office of Emergency Management with homeland security funds. The Coplink software application was developed by International Business Machine (IBM) to synchronize law enforcement records management systems, and enable law enforcement personnel to search countywide records for investigative purposes. Currently, there are (16) sixteen data sharing regions throughout the State of California called nodes, and the strategic plan is to connect all of the data sharing nodes and expand searches across the entire State of California.

The approval of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) authorizes CLEC to enter into MOU's with other counties for the purposes of data sharing without requiring the approval of City Council each time a data sharing connection is planned. CLEC will be the governing body to plan and coordinate the data sharing efforts, and any additional project management personnel would be under the direct supervision of CLEC.

All operational and maintenance expenses will be shared between the agencies that contribute their data to the Coplink system, and the apportioned amounts will be based on the authorized number of sworn officers within each agency. New member agencies joining the SBCISS node will adopt this accounting model or an approved method by the governing board.

**BUDGET/FINANCIAL INFORMATION:**

There are no financial impacts to the City to activate a node-to-node connection through the Coplink application, as this functionality is covered under the current licensing and maintenance agreement with International Business Machines (IBM).

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**APPROVED BY:** City Administrator's Office