## RESOLUTION

# **ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

SHERIFF ROBERT D. SPODEN INITIATED BY

PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE GENERAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

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COMMANDER THOMAS W. GEHL

**DRAFTED BY** 

JUNE 30, 2010 DATE DRAFTED

# AUTHORIZING CONTRACT FOR FACILITY TRANSITION SERVICES FOR THE ROCK COUNTY JAIL RENOVATION PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Rock County Board of Supervisors previously authorized the Rock County Jail Renovation project; and,

WHEREAS, construction on the jail renovation is currently ongoing, with a tentatively scheduled completion in the last quarter of 2011; and,

WHEREAS, prior to occupying new and renovated portions of the jail, a transition process is necessary to prepare for occupancy; and,

WHEREAS, the transition process includes: developing operational scenarios for use of the facility that ultimately lead to the creation of post orders and procedures, preparation of a facility schedule and staffing plan for operation of the new and renovated portions of the jail and creation and implementation of a training program to prepare staff to understand and operate the facility and its new systems; and,

WHEREAS, Voorhis/Robertson Justice Services, Inc., has the requisite expertise in this area and can organize and direct the transition to the renovated facility, through completion of construction and occupancy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 600 day of 1000, 2010, does hereby authorize a contract with Voorhis/Robertson Justice Services, Inc., in amount not to exceed \$104,000, to provide operational transition services to the Rock County Jail Renovation project.

Respectfully submitted,

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### LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to secs. 59.01 and 59.51, Wis. Stats. Professional services are not subject to bidding requirements of 59.52(29), Stats.

Jeffrey S. Kuglitsch Corporation Counsel

#### FISCAL NOTE:

This contract is to be charged to the Jail / HCC Complex Project, A/C 18-1849-0000-67200, which has a current unencumbered balance of \$4,305,862. This appropriation is funded by County Sales Tax receipts.

Finance Director

### ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended,

Craig Knutson

County Administrator

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

In early 2010, the Rock County Board of Supervisors approved construction of Phase I of the Rock County Jail Renovation Project. Included in the project was construction of a new booking room and sallyport, a new central control, installation of new security electronics and a new fire alarm system throughout the jail, renovation of the medical area, and other related items.

The significant changes to workflow, procedures, and security/mechanical systems in the jail as a result of the renovation project will require significant changes in the jail's operation and training for all staff in the operation of new systems. In corrections, the term for this process is called transition.

Transition to the renovated Rock County Jail will require the development of operational scenarios on how a myriad of situations will be handled in the renovated facility, testing and revision of those scenarios, development of procedures and post orders based on those scenarios, preparation of a facility schedule and staffing plan to reflect the changes in the remodeled facility, and preparation and presentation of a training program for all jail staff to prepare them for use of new systems and implementation of new procedures that will impact operations when the renovated facility is completed.

The transition process requires a large amount of staff work to prepare. The Sheriff's Office does not have the staff time available to dedicate to the transition process. Voorhis/Robertson Justice Services (VRJS), a correctional consulting service has a great deal of experience and expertise in providing transition services to other correctional facilities throughout the country. In addition, VRJS has provided preliminary transition services for Rock County during the schematic design phase of the Jail Renovation Project.

This resolution authorizes Rock County to enter into a contract with VRJS in an amount not to exceed \$104,000 to provide necessary transition services for the remainder of the construction and occupancy phases of the renovation project.