December 29, 2016

Mr. Jeff Kepley
PVE Police Chief
340 Palos Verdes Dr. West
Palos Verdes Estates, CA 90274

Proposal for Ranger Services
City of Palos Verdes Estates

Dear Chief Kepley:

The Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) is submitting a proposal to provide MRCA Ranger Patrol Services in the City of Palos Verdes Estates.

Scope of Work:

- Rangers will exercise discretion in the enforcement of the State of California Codes (Penal, Health & Safety, etc.) and the Palos Verdes Estates Municipal Code.
- Rangers may issue warnings or take enforcement action.
- Rangers shall focus patrol on alcohol and drug enforcement, outdoor fires, conduct, and criminal behavior, including assault, battery, vandalism, and harassment.
- Rangers shall also patrol to deter attempts at using intimidation or other forms of dissuasion to hinder the public’s access and use of public beaches, the ocean, and parklands.
- MRCA Rangers will use MRCA Notice to Appear citation forms for appearances in the Torrance courthouse.
- MRCA Rangers may call upon the Palos Verdes Estates Police Department for assistance at any time.

A local public agency exercising joint powers of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, the Conejo Recreation & Park District, and the Rancho Simi Recreation & Park District pursuant to Section 6500 et seq. of the Government Code.
Scheduling:

- For training purposes, MRCA will initially deploy two Rangers.
  - Either, (1) both Rangers will be paired together, working concurrently in Palos Verdes Estates, or
  - (2) each Ranger will be paired with a Palos Verdes Estates Police Officer. This second option allows for a Ranger to be in Palos Verdes Estates each scheduled day.
- During special periods of high surf, high spectator or surfer attendance, or other unusual events when additional patrol coverage is determined by Police Management as necessary, Palos Verdes Police Officers will be provided the opportunity to work overtime in conjunction with MRCA Rangers.
- During the initial 4-month period, MRCA will be scheduled a minimum of 56 hours over 14 consecutive days.

Locations:

Lunada Bay area bluffs tops and coastline areas and Malaga Cove Dunes, time permitting. The deployment location will be determined by Police Management.

Budget:

- The 4-month initial term is dictated and determined by the funds available: $50,000. No additional funding is available for services exceeding this amount.
- MRCA will be paid on an hourly basis ($80/hour).
- Payment will be calculated portal to portal and hours worked.

Billing:

- The MRCA will invoice on a quarterly basis, providing status reports upon request.
Term of Agreement:

- Initial term: 4 months from execution of the agreement.
- The 4-month initial term will be to evaluate the professional relationship: service, communications, and collaboration. The assessment of initial term will include a conversation between Police Management and POA representatives; however, the Police Management reserves its management rights.
- The City will enter into a 1-year contract. This is to provide the ability and flexibility to extend MRCA services if, after 4 months, it is determined that the program is successful, necessary, and funds are made available by the City.

Sincerely,

Fernando Gomez  
Chief Ranger

cc:  
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Cara Meyer, Contracting Officer