To:               Honorable Board of Supervisors
From:             Brandon Barnes, Sheriff-Coroner
Department:       Sheriff Coroner
Subject:          Approval to Accept Trindel Insurance Reimbursement for $49,000 for Canine Dog Loss and Related Amendment to the Fiscal Year 2018-19 Adopted Budget (4/5th vote required). BVT No. 201982

Recommendation:

It is requested that the Board of Supervisors approve the following:

1. Authorize the Sheriff’s Office to accept insurance reimbursement payment of $49,000 for Canine Bandit loss from Trindel Insurance.

2. Approve a related amendment to the Fiscal Year 2018-19 Adopted Budget to increase appropriations within Sheriff-Coroner budget unit 2-201 to pay for canine related expenditures (4/5th vote required).

Background:

On 11/15/2018, Sutter County Sheriff’s Office Canine Bandit was killed in the line of duty while assisting Butte County Sheriff’s Office in apprehending a double homicide suspect during Mutual Aid activities of the Camp Fire.

The Sheriff’s Office has received a check for insurance reimbursement payment for Canine Bandit’s loss in the amount of $49,000 from Trindel Insurance. We have deposited this check in Sheriff-Coroner budget unit 2-201 in Insurance Reimbursement revenue account. We would like to request your approval to pay the below Canine related items in the amount of $21,200 with insurance reimbursement funds and keep the remaining balance of $27,800 committed to Sheriff’s Office budget to pay for any future canine related expenditures as approved by the Sheriff.

To be budgeted in Sheriff-Coroner 2201-54301 Capital Asset-Equipment:

☐ $10,000 for 1 Canine Dog Replacement for Bandit

To be budgeted in Sheriff-Coroner 2201-54300 Capital Asset-Vehicle:

☐ $3,500 to convert a regular Patrol vehicle into canine patrol vehicle.
To be budgeted in Sheriff-Coroner 2201-52232 Employment Training:

☐ $5,500 for 1 Officer 6-week Basic Canine Training Course.

To be budgeted in Sheriff-Coroner 2201-52187 Canine Dog Protection-Equipment:

☐ $500 for miscellaneous canine protection equipment.

To be budgeted in Sheriff-Coroner 2201-52250 Transportation & Travel:

☐ $1,700 for a canine sergeant to attend K-9 Memorial Services in Washington.

Prior Board Action:

This is the first time staff have brought this item to your attention.

Board Alternatives:

The Board could decide not to approve this budget amendment and these expenditures would be paid by the General Fund.

Other Department and/or Agency Involvement:

County Administrator’s Office, County Counsel, and the Auditor/Controller’s Office.

Action Following Approval:

The Auditor/Controller Office will process the budget amendment as appropriate and the Sheriff’s Office will proceed with the purchases of the requested items.

Fiscal Impact:

There will be no impact to the General Fund. The requested purchases will be paid with insurance reimbursement payment received from Trindel.

Countywide Goals and/or Top Priorities Compliance:

The proposed use of the insurance reimbursement funds to purchase for canine related expenditures will enhance Sheriff’s Office’s delivery of law enforcement services to the community.

Standing Committee Review:

This item was reviewed and recommended for consent by the Agriculture/Public Protection, and General Government Committee on April 22, 2019.

Respectfully Submitted,

S/ Brandon Barnes  
Sheriff-Coroner

Attachments:
1. Budget Amend K-9 Expenditures 18-19
2. BA K-9 Transfer Voucher 18-19
3. BVT 2019082