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VICE-CHAIRMAN

**SUPERVISOR, FIFTH DISTRICT
SAN DIEGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

AGENDA ITEM

DATE: May 18, 2010

TO: Board of Supervisors

SUBJECT: SEXUAL PREDATOR E-MAIL ALERT SYSTEM (DISTRICT: ALL)

SUMMARY:

Overview

The County provides an abundance of information on its websites. An e-mail alert system and a San Diego County Sexual Predator Pin Map would increase community awareness of these dangerous predators and ensure that these criminals are properly monitored throughout the County.

Recommendation(s)

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1. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to explore the feasibility of purchasing and implementing a sexual predator e-mail alert service for the County website.
2. Direct the CAO to explore the feasibility of implementing and maintaining a San Diego County Sexual Predator Pin Map on the County website containing all appropriate and legal location information for all sexual registrants in San Diego County.
3. Direct the CAO to report back to the Board of Supervisors in 60 days with recommendations on the implementation and funding of a sexual predator e-mail alert service.

Fiscal Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this proposal.

Business Impact Statement

N/A

Advisory Board Statement

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N/A

BACKGROUND:

The County of San Diego has always been a leader in utilizing innovative technology to better serve residents. It is also important that these tools be used to increase public safety as well. The tragic deaths of Chelsea King and Amber DuBois remind us how fragile life can be and how we must remain vigilant -- not only in keeping the justice system accountable but also in reinforcing the bonds of family and community. Implementing an e-mail alert system to notify County residents of registered sex offenders living in their neighborhoods will increase community awareness of these dangerous predators and ensure that these criminals are properly monitored throughout the County.

Similar alert systems have been implemented across the country by various local law enforcement agencies. For example, the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department has established an alert system that allows residents to confidentially register as many addresses as they wish and specify the mile radius of concern. Once registered, residents are notified via e-mail when sexual predators move into those areas. This ensures that residents are kept informed of the safety of their neighborhoods without having to check maps on a weekly basis.

While the State of California's Attorney General maintains a statewide sexual registrants pin map through the Megan's Law website, we can always do more to keep San Diego County residents safe and informed. By maintaining a San Diego County Sexual Predator Pin Map on the County website, we will ensure that the locations of sexual registrants living in the County are easily available to customers and constantly kept up to date.

Because sex offenders change residences often, it is important that the County of San Diego do its best to protect residents from these dangerous criminals. Implementing a Sexual Predator e-mail alert system and establishing a locally maintained Sexual Predator Pin Map are two new ways to help keep our neighborhoods safe.

Linkage to the County of San Diego Strategic Plan

N/A

Respectfully submitted,

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ATTACHMENT(S)

N/A

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AGENDA ITEM INFORMATION SHEET

REQUIRES FOUR VOTES: Yes No

PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOARD ACTIONS:
N/A

BOARD POLICIES APPLICABLE:
N/A

BOARD POLICY STATEMENTS:
N/A

ORACLE AWARD NUMBER(S) AND CONTRACT AND/OR REQUISITION NUMBER(S):
N/A

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Board of Supervisors, District 5

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CONCURRENCE(S):

COUNTY COUNSEL REVIEW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes			
Written Disclosure per County Charter	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	
Section 1000.1 Required					
GROUP/AGENCY FINANCE DIRECTOR	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	
GROUP/AGENCY INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	
COUNTY TECHNOLOGY OFFICE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	
Group/Agency Human Resources Director	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	
Other Concurrence(s):		N/A			

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE:
