



## Legislation Text

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**Item:**

**Contract Amendment Request to Increase Contract Amount for Electronic Monitoring Services with Buddi US, LLC**

**Date of BOCC Meeting: March 8, 2021**

**Request for Board Action:**

The Board is requested to authorize the County Manager to amend the existing service contract with Buddi US, LLC to provide electronic monitoring services for individuals assigned to Durham County Pretrial Services in Fiscal Year 2020-21. The amendment will increase the contract amount from \$120,450 to not to exceed \$165,000. The County's contract with Buddi US, LLC was approved in July 2020.

The original contract amount was based on an estimated average utilization of 55 units per day. However, the utilization this fiscal year has consistently exceeded the estimate. Due to COVID-19, Durham County Courts have made a concerted effort to reduce the inmate population at the Durham County Detention Facility. As a result, the number of detainees released under pretrial supervision with added electronic monitoring conditions has increased. Additionally, defendants have remained on supervision for longer periods of time because of the reduced capacity in the Courts, resulting in an increased number of defendants supervised for long periods of time.

The additional funding is available within the Criminal Justice Resource Center's approved FY20/21 budget.

**Alignment with Strategic Plan:** This agenda item aligns with Goal 3 of Durham County's Strategic Plan.

**Resource Persons:** Gudrun Parmer, Director, Criminal Justice Resource Center

**County Manager's Recommendation:** The County Manager recommends that the Board authorize the County Manager to amend the existing service contract with Buddi US, LLC for electronic monitoring services not to exceed \$165,000 for Fiscal Year 2020-21 to address increase usage due to the pandemic.

County Manager: \_\_\_\_\_