



**City of Santa Barbara**  
Police Department

**Memorandum**

**DATE:** July 25, 2013  
**TO:** Fire and Police Commission  
**FROM:** Holly Perea, Police Technician  
**SUBJECT:** Guardian National Security – Private Patrol Application

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Sarah Suleman is seeking to register “Guardian National Security” as a private patrol operator in the City of Santa Barbara.

Per Santa Barbara Municipal Code §5.07, applicants must provide a description of vehicles and uniforms to be used, both of which must be distinctively marked and distinguishable from those used by the Santa Barbara Police Department. Applicants must also provide a copy of the applicant’s current state license. The applicant provided all required information and documentation.

On 6/27/13 the Police Technician verified that the company’s California Private Patrol Operator license is valid. On 7/1/13 a designee of the Chief reviewed the registration materials and signed on behalf of the Police Department verifying that the uniforms proposed for use in Santa Barbara are distinct from those used by local law enforcement agencies. It should be noted that although the company may use a variety of uniform styles and/or vehicles in other areas, only the style(s) indicated herein have been favorably reviewed for use in Santa Barbara.

The approved uniforms consist of white, short-sleeved, button-down shirts with a "Private Security" patch on the sleeve and an American flag patch on the chest. Uniform pants will be black. Guards may also wear a metal badge on their chest and a duty belt.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

The Santa Barbara Police Department recommends approval of the registration for “Guardian National Security” as private patrol operators, contingent upon use of approved uniforms.