

Monterey County

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Action Minutes - Final Budget Committee

Wednesday, May 26, 2021 1:00 PM Monterey Room

Attendees: Supervisor Luis A. Alejo, Chair; Supervisor Wendy R. Askew, Vice Chair; Charles McKee, County Administrative Officer; Dewayne Woods, Assistant County Administrative Officer; Ezequiel Vega, County Budget Director; Les Girard, County Counsel; Rocio Quezada, Committee Secretary; and Mary Zeeb, Treasurer-Tax Collector. Excused: Rupa Shah, Auditor-Controller; and Steve Vagnini, Assessor-Clerk-Recorder.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:18 p.m.

Additions and Corrections

There were no additions or corrections to the agenda.

Public Comment Period

Public comment provided by Dee Guerrero.

Approval of Action Minutes

1. Approve the Budget Committee Action Minutes of April 28, 2021.

The Budget Committee Action Minutes of April 28, 2021 were approved by consensus.

Consent Agenda

Consent Items Nos. 2 through 12 ACTION: Consent Items Nos. 2 through 12 were approved by consensus. Public comment provided by Bernie Gomez.

- **2.** Receive the List of Standing and Follow-Up Reports due to the Budget Committee.
- **3.** Receive the California Department of Finance Bulletin for April 2021.
- **4.** Receive a report on the Governor's Fiscal Year 2021-22 May Revised State Budget.
- **5.** Support and approve the Contracts/Purchasing Officer or the Contracts/Purchasing Supervisor to sign

Amendment 2 to Agreement A-13884/A14549 by and between Amar Forensics for the provision forensic pathology services and autopsy reports, adding \$600,000 for a new not to exceed total of \$2,328,000 and three (3) months and six (6) days, for a new end date of June 30, 2022; and

- a. Support the request to authorize the Auditor-Controller to increase appropriations in the FY 2020-21Agricultural Commissioner's budget 001-AGR001-2810, unit 8001, financed by Mill Tax revenue: and
 - b. Support the request to transfer up to \$673,045 from the Agricultural Commissioner's Unit 8001, Appropriation AGR001, to the Capital Projects Fund 402, Appropriation Unit 8174, Appropriation RMA014, for the Agricultural Commissioner Facility Development Project Number 28101.
- **7.** Receive a status update on the Jail Housing Addition Project 8819
- **8.** Receive a status report on the New Juvenile Hall, Project 8811.
- **9.** Receive a financial condition report on Lake Nacimiento Resort and Operations Enterprise Fund, Fund 452, for Fiscal Year 2020-21.
- **10.** Receive a report on Capital Improvement Plan and Key Capital Projects managed by the Public Works, Facilities and Parks (PWFP) through March 2021
- a. Support approval for an increase in appropriations and revenues of \$408,000 for the Social Services Area Agency on Aging's Budget Unit 001-5010-SOC010-8268 FY 2020-21 Adopted Budget to provide one-time funding emergency funding to Title III programs (4/5ths vote required); and b. Support authorizing the County Administrative Office and directing the Auditor-Controller to amend the FY 2020-21 Adopted Budget by increasing appropriations and revenues by \$408,000 in Social Services Area Agency on Aging's Budget Unit 001-5010-SOC010-8268.
- a. Support request to Authorize and Direct the Auditor-Controller to amend the FY 2020-21 Health Department budget (001-4000-HEA003-8124) to increase appropriations by \$5,162,067 and estimated revenue by \$5,162,067, financed by program revenue of \$1,430,698 from lab testing of COVID-19 specimens, and \$3,731,369 from ELC and other grant funds.

Regular Agenda

13. Receive the FY 2021-22 Recommended Budget.

ACTION: The Committee received a presentation on the Fiscal Year 2021-22 Recommended Budget. Staff will present the recommendations at the June 2, 2021 Budget Hearings. Public comment provided by Sonja Koehler, Bernie Gomez, Laurie Ramirez, Brenda Heller, Jonathan De Anda, and Cesar Lara.

- **14.** Support a resolution to:
 - a. Establish a pension trust administered by Public Agency Retirement Services (PARS) and appointing the County Administrative Officer as the Plan Administrator; and

- b. Adopt the Monterey County Pension Liability Policy; and
- c. Authorize and direct the Auditor-Controller to create an internal service fund (ISF) in FY 2020-21 for the payments towards the unfunded accrued liability of the County's Miscellaneous and Safety pension plans; and
- d. Authorize and direct the Auditor-Controller to amend the FY 2020-21 Adopted Budget by increasing appropriations in the County Administrative Office's Other Financing Uses Budget Unit (001-1050-CAO017-8038) by \$8,038,138 to transfer to the new pension ISF, financed by the release of the General Fund Compensated Absence Assignment (BSA 3115); and
- e. Cancel the General Fund Compensated Absence Assignment (BSA 3115) of \$8,038,138 in FY 2020-21 to be transferred to the pension ISF; and
- f. Authorize and direct the Auditor-Controller to transfer the FY 2020-21 ending fund balance in the UAL-PERS Unfunded Liability sub-BSA (2103), Payroll Revolving Fund (Fund 543) to the new pension ISF.

ACTION: The Committee supported the recommendations under Item No. 14.a thru 14.f by consensus.

- a. Receive a report on potential County Parks, County Service Areas (CSAs), and County Sanitation Districts (CSDs) water and sewer projects to be funded with American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds; and
 - b. Provide direction regarding recommended prioritization for County Parks, County Service Areas (CSAs), and County Sanitation Districts (CSDs) water and sewer projects to be funded with American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds.

ACTION: The Committee received a report on potential Parks, Community Service Areas (CSAs), and County Sanitation Districts (CSDs) water and sewer projects to be funded with American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds. The Committee recommended staff to present a CSA/CSD priority list to the Board of Supervisors at the June 2, 2021 Budget Hearings. Public comment provided by Cesar Lara.

- a. Support amending Personnel Policies and Practices Resolution (PPPR) No. 98-394 Appendix A and B to create the classification of County Communications Director as indicated in Attachment A; b. Support providing direction to staff to incorporate an allocation of County Communications Director in the County Administrative Office Budget 1050-CAO004 Unit 8054 as a priority in the FY 21-22 budget; and
 - c. Support directing the Human Resources Department to implement the changes in the Advantage HRM system.

This item will be presented to the Board of Supervisors for consideration at the June 2, 2021 Budget Hearings.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for June 30, 2021 at 1:30 p.m.