

# County of Monterey

Board of Supervisors Chambers 168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor Salinas, CA 93901

# **Board Report**

File #: 16-1005, Version: 1

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#### RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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#### SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

Service Employee International Union Local (SEIU) 521 submitted a request for a wage study to the Human Resources Department for the classifications of Public Defender Investigator I, Public Defender Investigator II, Public Defender Investigator III, and Supervising Public Defender Investigator.

A review of the established comparable Counties determined the salary of the Public Defender Investigator series is below market average. The Public Defender Investigator I was found to be the most out of alignment with the market average at 15% below. In order to maintain an appropriate spread between the lower classifications and the higher classification of Supervising Public Defender Investigator, a 15% increase to all classifications within the series is recommended and is consistent with the County's existing compensation structure. These salary increases will enable the Public Defender's Office to better attract candidates and retain employees.

#### OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

SEIU has reviewed this recommendation is in concurrence with the findings.

## FINANCING:

This action will result in increased salary and benefit costs of approximately \$72,981 for the remainder of FY 2016-2017, or \$87,577 annually. These costs have not been included in the FY 2016-17 adopted budget. Any required budget modifications will be brought back to the Board of Supervisors for consideration in the latter part of the fiscal year.

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Attachment: Attachment A

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