

County of Monterey

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Wednesday, May 21, 2025

3:00 PM

Special Meeting

Budget Committee

Attendees: Supervisor Wendy Root Askew, Chair; Supervisor Chris Lopez, Vice Chair; and
Committee Staff: Sonia M. De La Rosa, County Administrative Officer; Debbie Paolinelli, Assistant
County Administrative Officer; Susan Blitch, County Counsel; Rocio Quezada, Committee
Secretary; and
Elected Officials: Rupa Shah, Auditor-Controller; Mary Zeeb, Treasurer-Tax Collector; and Marina
Camacho, Assessor-Clerk-Recorder.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

Additions and Corrections

There were no additions or corrections to the agenda.

Public Comment Period

No public comment received.

Approval of Action Minutes

1. Approve the Budget Committee Action Minutes of April 30, 2025.

The Budget Committee Action Minutes of April 30, 2025 were approved by consensus.

Consent Agenda

Consent Items No. 2 and 3

ACTION: Consent Items No. 2 and 3 were approved by consensus.

2. Receive the List of Standing and Follow-up Reports due to the Budget Committee.
3. Support amending the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Adopted Budget for the County Administrative Office Contracts & Purchasing (001-1050-CAO002-8047), to increase appropriations by \$28,140, financed by an increase in estimated revenues by \$8,040, and a decrease in appropriations of \$20,100 in the County Administrative Office Administration & Finance (001-1050-CAO001-8045).

Regular Agenda

4. Receive the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Recommended Budget.

ACTION: The Committee received a presentation on the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Recommended Budget.

5.
 - a. Support approval of the increase in appropriations of the Sheriff's Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25 Adopted Budget in Appropriation Unit SHE001 amounting to \$4,247,891 financed by a reduction in appropriations in SHE003 by \$4,247,891; and
 - b. Support authorizing and directing the Auditor-Controller to amend the Sheriff's FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget by increasing appropriations in SHE001 in the amount \$2,001,456 and SHE003 in the amount of \$1,578,139 financed by a decrease in appropriations of \$3,579,595 in General Fund 001, Contingencies Appropriation Unit CAO020.

ACTION: The Committee recommended Item No. 5 be presented to the full Board.

6. Support Request to:
 - a. Amend the FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget for the Health Department's Behavioral Health Bureau, (022-8410-HEA015), to increase appropriations by \$14,330,006, financed by available fund balance; and
 - b. Amend the FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget for the Health Department's Behavioral Health Bureau (023-8410-HEA012) to increase appropriations by \$21,510,132 financed by an increase of Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) revenue of \$7,180,126 and a transfer-in from (022-8410-HEA015) of \$14,330,006 and
 - c. Authorize and direct the Auditor-Controller and County Administrative Office to incorporate the Changes in the FY 2024-25 Health Department's Behavioral Health Bureau's Adopted Budget (022-8410-HEA015, and 023-8410-HEA012).

ACTION: The Committee supported Item No. 6 by consensus.

7. It is recommended that the Budget Committee support approval of a resolution authorizing and directing the Auditor-Controller to:
 - a. Amend the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Adopted Budget to increase appropriations and revenues by \$3,000,000 (includes \$400,000 as an operating transfer in) for Social Services - Fund 001, Appropriations Unit SOC005 Fiscal Year 2024-25 Adopted Budget to provide funding for increased salary and benefits costs; and
 - b. Amend the FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget to increase appropriations (operating transfer out) and revenues by \$400,000 for Social Services 1991 Health & Welfare Realignment, Fund 025, Appropriation Unit SOC012 FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget.

ACTION: The Committee supported Item No. 7 by consensus.

8. Support approval of a resolution authorizing and directing the Auditor-Controller to amend the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Adopted Budget to increase appropriations by \$267,276 for the Social Services - Military and Veterans Services Fund 001, Appropriations Unit SOC003 Fiscal Year 2024-25 Adopted Budget financed by the release of General Fund unassigned fund balance from BSA 001-3046 for the Veteran's Transition Center of Monterey County.

ACTION: The Committee supported Item No. 8 by consensus.

9. Support the request to:
 - a. Authorize the Auditor-Controller to execute an operating transfer of \$250,000 from the 1991 Social Services Realignment Subaccount (025-0255-5010-SOC012-CMS) to the 1991 Health Realignment Subaccount (025-0254-4000-HEA013-PH) to fund the Bright Beginnings program; and
 - b. Authorize the Auditor-Controller to execute an operating transfer of \$1,218,318 from the 1991 Social Services Realignment Subaccount (025-0255-5010-SOC012-CMS) to the 1991 Health Realignment Subaccount (025-0254-4000-HEA013-PH) to fund Children's Medical Services programs; and
 - c. Authorize the Auditor-Controller to execute an operating transfer of \$374,986 from the 1991 Social Services Realignment Subaccount (025-0255-5010-SOC012-CMS) to the 1991 Health Realignment Subaccount (025-0254-4000-HEA013-PH) to fund the Nurse Family Partnership

(NFP) and Maternal, Child, and Adolescent Health (MCAH) programs.

ACTION: The Committee supported Item No. 9 by consensus.

- 10.** Support authorizing and directing the Auditor-Controller to increase appropriations and estimated revenues by \$248,859 in the Office of the Public Defender Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25 Adopted Budget (001-2270-PUB001-8169), funded by grant revenues from the State of California Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) Proposition 47 Cohort IV Grant Program.

ACTION: The Committee supported Item No. 10 by consensus.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

The next regular meeting is scheduled on June 25, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. in the Monterey Room and via Zoom.