



AUGUST BUDGET SOUNDINGS

August 3, 2022

Presented

to the

Board of Commissioners

by the

Finance Department

WATER REVENUE FUND

Water Revenue**August 3, 2022 Soundings****Strategic Priority Area: Open and Responsible Government****Action Required:**

Increase Finance Department Water & Sewer Billings Division budget in Fund 201 for credit card payments convenience fees \$192,000

Water and Sewer

201-210-2111-1177

Credit Card Fees

Increase

\$192,000

Decrease**Water & Sewer Revenue**

201-999-D250-1900

Contingency - Non-Agency

Increase**Decrease**

\$192,000

Purpose (Justification):

The Finance Department is requesting to increase the budget for its Water and Sewer Billings and Collections Division in the Water and Sewer Fund 201 by \$192,000. The budget increase is for convenient fees on credit card payments due to high volume of credit card usage for payment of water and sewer service billings than previously anticipated, which has increased over 50% for the first five months of fiscal year 2022, compared to the same period last year.

Included in Soundings per County Manager's direction.
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Non-Agency Risk Management Fund

Risk Management Fund**August 3, 2022 Soundings****Strategic Priority Area: Open and Responsible Government****Action Required:****Increase Office of County Attorney Budget - \$1,929,993****Office of County Attorney**

725-235-2351-1160

Increase

\$1,929,993

Decrease

725-999-P001-1900

Contingency - Non-Agency

Increase**Decrease**

\$1,929,993

Purpose (Justification):

The County Attorney requests a budget increase of \$529,993 to assist with outstanding invoices associated with outside legal counsel services, in addition to \$1,400,000 for anticipated legal and consultant fees to carry them through the remainder of fiscal year 2022. The Board of Commissioners approved for the County Attorney to use outside counsel to assist with litigation needs during the anomalous vacancy period in the beginning of the year in which they experienced a 48% vacancy turnover with attorney personnel, which has exhausted their professional services budget year to date.

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