

Fulton County

Legislation Text

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Department

Finance

Requested Action

Presentation, review and approval of August 3, 2022 Budget Soundings. (PRESENTED/APPROVED)

Requirement for Board Action

BOC assessment and approval of budget soundings request is required by the County's budget resolution approved by the BOC.

Strategic Priority Area related to this item

Open and Responsible Government

Is this a purchasing item?

No

Summary & Background

The August 3, 2022 Soundings request is submitted for your review and approval. Below is a brief summary of each request and related justification.

STRATEGIC PRIORITY AREA: OPEN AND RESPONSIBLE GOVERNMENT-

 Increase Finance Department Water & Sewer Billings Division budget in Fund 201 for credit card payments convenience fees \$192,000 - (PAGE 5)

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 services 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.

STRATEGIC PRIORITY AREA: OPEN AND RESPONSIBLE GOVERNMENT-

Increase Office of County Attorney Budget \$ 1,929,993 - (PAGE 7)

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.