



Minutes - March 27, 2025

Call to Order: Chair Mawhinney called the hybrid Finance Committee meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. in the Jury Deliberation Room.

Committee Members Present: Supervisors Mawhinney, Towns, Wilson, Schwarz, and Ringhand.

Committee Members Absent: None.

Staff Members Present: John Light, County Administrator; Randy Terronez, Assistant to County Administrator; Kristin Vander Kooi, Finance Director; Brent Sutherland, Facilities Management Director; Michael Parille, Facilities Superintendent; Rich Greenlee, Corporation Counsel; Shanna Sanders, Deputy Corporation Counsel; James Otterstein, Economic Development Administrator; Sarah Holford, Business Supervisor; Sheriff Fell; ; Fredd Carr, 911 Communications Director; Kate Luster, Human Services Director; Lisa Tollefson, County Clerk; Kevin Wernet, Emergency Management Director; Ashley Roscoe, Conservation Specialist III; Andrew Baker Planning & Land Conservation Director.

Others Present: Supervisors Tillman, Knudson, Sutterlin, Woodman, and Bostwick

Approve Agenda: Supervisor Wilson moved approval of the agenda as presented, second by Supervisor Ringhand. ADOPTED.

Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements: None.

Approval of Minutes:

March 13, 2025 Minutes: Supervisor Schwarz moved to approve the March 13, 2025, minutes, second by Supervisor Towns. ADOPTED.

Approval of Transfers: None.

Review and Approval of Resolutions:

Resolution Approving the Carryover of 2024 Budget Appropriations to 2025: Supervisor Wilson moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Ringhand.

Kristin explained the carryovers are done annually around this time of year. The carryovers listed are to amend the 2025 budget, adding remaining funds from projects that were not completed in the 2024 budget year.

Supervisor Schwarz questioned the progress of the AVI in the courtrooms. IT will look into where

funds are budgeted. Supervisor Towns questioned the Human Services carryover for motor vehicles. Kate Luster noted there was a delay in the delivery of the vehicles. Schwarz moved to amend line 8, remove the word "that", add the word "amend", and remove "be amended" to read "does herb amend the 2025 budget as follows", second by Supervisor Towns. ADOPTED.

Amending the Sheriff's Office 2025 Budget to Complete the Changeover of the Replacement

Squad #1 Insurance Claim: Supervisor Wilson moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Schwarz

Supervisor Schwarz questioned why this needed to be a carryover. Kristin explained this happened at the end of the year and some of the insurance proceeds were collected in 2024, but not all and the cruiser's damage is not completely fixed. ADOPTED.

Amending the 2025 Human Services Department Budget to Accept Additional Children's Long-Term Support Funding and Create 11.0 FTE Positions:

Supervisor Wilson moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Ringhand.

Supervisor Schwarz asked how long the funds are committed to the County. Kate Luster answered that the County has yearly contracts with the State for these services. If the State no longer funded the program, the County would discontinue the services. Supervisor Schwarz also questioned if the County had some kind of tracking in place to show if the funds were gone and the positions still existed. Kate Luster responded that they would have to transfer funds from an alternative cost center in order to fund the program. Supervisor Wilson spoke in favor of the additional positions to offset the case load. Supervisor Towns questioned at what point the County knew these additional positions were needed. Kate noted they knew last year. The program at the time already had 8 vacancies they needed to fill, and at the advice of the County Administrator, chose not to request the additional positions for the 2025 budget last year. Supervisor Schwarz asked if immigration was the reason for the influx in need of the program. Kate Luster had no reason to believe that immigration has an effect on the increased case loads, stating these are children with disabilities and the program seems to have an increase in awareness of the services offered in the program.

ADOPTED with Supervisors Wilson, Mawhinney, and Ringhand voting aye, and Supervisors Schwarz and Towns voting nay.

Next meeting date and time: Thursday, April 10, 2025, time to be determined.

Adjournment: Supervisor Ringhand moved adjournment at 5:49 PM, second by Supervisor Towns. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Wolf
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