

**COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
CALIFORNIA**

For the Agenda of:
September 9, 2020
5:00 P.M.

To: Board of Supervisors

Through: Navdeep S. Gill, County Executive

From: Britt E. Ferguson, Chief Fiscal Officer,
Office of Budget & Debt Management

Subject: Public Hearing On, and Consideration Of Possible Revisions
To, the FY2020-21 Approved Recommended Budget

District(s): All

RECOMMENDED ACTION

1. Approve the FY2020-21 Revised Recommended Approved Budget, with any Changes the Board Deems Appropriate.
2. Direct the Department of Personnel Services to prepare an administrative Salary Resolution Amendment (SRA) to reflect the positions approved by the FY2020-21 Adopted Budget, including any deletion of positions.
3. Direct the Department of Finance to prepare the FY2020-21 Budget Resolutions for Board consideration on Tuesday, September 22, 2020.

BACKGROUND

The County Budget Act requires that boards of supervisors in every county in the State approve a Recommended Budget by June 30th for the fiscal year that begins on the upcoming July 1st. This Approved Budget provides appropriation (expenditure) authority from July 1st until the budget is adopted, which must occur no later than October 2nd. Prior to October 2nd, the Budget Act requires that boards of supervisors hold a public hearing on the Approved Budget, including any recommended revisions, make any changes desired and, ultimately, approve resolutions adopting the Budget.

In Sacramento County, the annual budget process typically begins in October and involves departments preparing their requested budgets, which are reviewed and analyzed by staff in the Office of the County Executive (OCE). OCE staff also prepares estimates of the amount of discretionary and semi-discretionary (Proposition 172 and Realignment) revenue the County

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will receive. After review, the County Executive provides a Recommended Budget to the Board for consideration, and the Board hears public comment, makes any desired revisions and approves the Recommended Budget (the "Approved Budget").

Following closure of the County's books for the prior fiscal year in late July, departments prepare requests for revision to the Approved Budget based on updated fund balance and other information. OCE Staff reviews those requests and updates discretionary and semi-discretionary revenue estimates. After review, the County Executive then recommends revisions to the Approved Budget.

For FY2020-21 the budget process was different, due to the impact of COVID-19 on the economy and County revenues and expenditures. For this fiscal year, the Board approved a placeholder budget in June that essentially rolled over FY2019-20 Adopted Appropriations and resources to provide time to better assess the impact of COVID-19 on the County and develop plans to address that impact. The Revised Recommended Budget presented at these hearings is the result of that effort.

The purpose of this meeting is for the Board to hold a public hearing on, and approve revisions to, the FY2020-21 Approved Budget.

In addition to approving the Revised Recommended Budget, staff is requesting that the Board take a number of actions. These include:

- Directing the Department of Personnel Services to prepare an administrative Salary Resolution Amendment (SRA) to reflect the positions approved in the FY2020-21 Adopted Budget, including any deletion of positions.
- Directing the Department of Finance to prepare the FY2020-21 Budget resolutions for Board consideration on Tuesday, September 22, 2020.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

As proposed, the County's Budget is balanced.

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