

May 6, 2008

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: C. Ray Wierson, County Administrator

SUBJ: Approval of Budget Amendment to the County's FY08 Budget (Public Hearing Scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 29, 2008)

There are seven budgeted service areas that are in need of a budget amendment to allow for spending authority for various reasons indicated below.

The County's budget is on the accrual basis. As such, it is possible that some service areas may be overspent following the payment of all claims incurred for this year sometime in September or October especially since State law requires budget amendments to be enacted by Boards of Supervisors on or before May 31st. Departments are aware that costs incurred (usually indicated by an invoice date) prior to June 30th and paid after June 30th will still be charged to FY08 even if the claim was paid in October.

The seven service areas to be amended are as follows:

SERVICE AREA	AMOUNT	REASON
Public Safety and Legal Services	\$1,970,000	To allow spending authority for several regional pass through grants in the Sheriff and County Attorney's Offices: Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program grant (\$420,000); ODCP-JAG Justice Assistance Grant (\$250,000); Midwest High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area grant (\$64,000); LETPP Fusion Center Concept grant (\$345,000); to allow spending authority for continued CADS in-facility substance abuse treatment jail program (\$191,000); and to allow spending authority for out of county jail inmate housing costs and food service costs during renovation of downtown jail site – during both Phase I and Phase II (\$700,000).
Physical Health and Social Services	\$25,000	To allow spending authority for HDC reimbursements for brain injured clients not covered by State waiver program (\$25,000).

SERVICE AREA	AMOUNT	REASON
County Environment and Education	\$235,500	To allow additional spending authority for State L.U.S.T. (leaking underground storage tanks) funds for over-excavation of contaminated soil at tax deed site (\$98,000); increased Conservation Department costs (\$50,000 equipment reserve fund use; \$25,000 increased fuel costs; \$20,000 increased utilities costs, \$7,500 increased computer software maintenance costs, and \$35,000 in salaries/benefit costs following Board approved Hay evaluation of all positions for FY08 budget).
Roads and Transportation	\$225,000	To allow spending authority for increased costs due to snow removal (\$100,000) and fuel costs (\$125,000).
Government Services to Residents	\$76,000	To allow additional spending authority for projected total election costs for the year including the special SILO school infrastructure sales tax election (\$60,000) and additional absentee return envelopes and labels (\$16,000).
Administration (interprogram)	\$181,500	To allow spending authority for refund of taxes paid by Ford Motor Credit Company per Court decision.
Capital Projects	\$885,000	To allow spending authority for completion of carryover project from FY07 for the renovation of the County Attorney's Office and Court Administration in the Courthouse (\$735,000) and for additional resurfacing work done by Secondary Roads on Sod Farm Road (210 th Street) and Wisconsin (130 th Ave) (\$150,000)

A public hearing on a budget amendment to the above service areas is recommended to be scheduled for Thursday, May 29, 2008, at 5:30 p.m. at the Board's last scheduled meeting for the month of May.