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**Special PEORIA COUNTY BOARD
MEETING AGENDA
Tuesday, June 16, 2020
3:30 PM**

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**CALL TO ORDER
SUSPENSION OF RULES
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
ROLL CALL BY THE COUNTY CLERK**

I. CITIZENS REMARKS

II. RESOLUTION

1. A resolution from your Budget Committee recommending approval of an additional appropriation totaling \$853,500.00 to the County Election Commission, Peoria County Sheriff, and Peoria County States Attorney budgets for the purpose of funding full and fair elections and support of special purpose law enforcement programs.

III. DISCUSSION

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

V. ADJOURNMENT

AGENDA BRIEFING

COMMITTEE: County Budget Committee
MEETING DATE: June 16, 2020

LINE ITEM: Multiple
AMOUNT: \$853,500

ISSUE:

For RESOLUTION: Funding for Full and Fair Elections, Support of Special Purpose Law Enforcement Programs.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:

Elections:

Senate Bill 1863, which the Governor is expected to sign into law significantly expands vote-by-mail opportunities starting with the November 3, 2020 General Election. The bill requires local election authorities like the Peoria County Election Commission to first provide voters with a questionnaire seeking information about each voters' intent or desire to vote-by-mail in the election. Those that respond in the affirmative will then be provided a vote-by-mail ballot. Both processes are required to be done through traditional US Postal Service mail and have postage costs associated with it. Additionally, the Election Commission will then have to receive and tally the ballots received by mail on election day. Currently, elections in Peoria County are conducted using e-Slate, which is a direct recording electronic voting system. Vote-by-mail will be paper based and require the use of optical scanners to first confirm the voter identity with voter registration data and then the scan the ballot to tally the ballots votes. This will require equipment the Election Commission currently does not possess. The Commission's Executive Director estimates as many as 60,000 voters in Peoria County could chose the vote-by-mail option.

Special Purpose Law Enforcement Programs:

In wake of the unjust death of George Floyd in Minneapolis both peaceful protests and rioting and looting occurred in many communities, including Peoria. On June 1, Governor Pritzker signed a state disaster declaration that included Peoria County. On June 3, Chairman Rand made a local declaration that was then ratified by the Peoria County Board on June 11, 2020. The County, led by Chairman Rand, Sheriff Asbell, and States Attorney Hoos, has committed itself to be a leader in our community's conversation and subsequent actions to end social injustices and institutionalized racism. Initial actions by the County Board in this conversation is to amend both the Sherriff and States Attorney budget.

In the Sheriff's budget, the figures in Exhibit A attached to the Resolution provide funding to expand staff support for the Sheriff's re-entry programming; ensuring there are adequate behavioral health resources by the Sheriff's contracted Jail medical services vendor; and new staffing and programming efforts to move towards a more equitable criminal justice system. In the States Attorney budget, the figures in Exhibit A attached to the Resolution provide funding for a counselor and an attorney dedicated to community engagement and deterrence.

COUNTY BOARD GOALS:



FINANCIAL STABILITY



EFFECTIVE SERVICE DELIVERY



HEALTHY VIBRANT COMMUNITIES



WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT



COLLABORATION

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVAL

COMMITTEE ACTION:

PREPARED BY: Scott A. Sorrel, County Administrator

DEPARTMENT: Peoria County Administration

DATE: June 12, 2020

WHEREAS, the County Board has determined that the additional expenditure as requested by Andrew A. Rand, Peoria County Board Chairperson, is an essential step to support our Election Commission, and our Elected Officials as they immediately work towards remedying the social injustices in our community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the County Board of Peoria County, that the FY2020 Budget , and the spending authority tied to it for the Peoria County Election Commission, Peoria County Sheriff, and Peoria County States Attorney, is hereby amended as shown in Exhibit A, attached, to account for the expenditures necessary to conduct elections in November and to move toward a more equitable criminal justice system for the citizens of Peoria County.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
BUDGET COMMITTEE
AND COUNTY BOARD CHAIRMAN, ANDREW A. RAND

Budget Amendment - Exhibit A

		Pre-COVID	Post-COVID	Increase	Revised	1st Subtotal of Increased Appropriation						
Fund / Dept #	Fund Name	Appropriation	Appropriation	Amount	Appropriation	Pers.	Comm.	Cont.	Cap.	Debt	Trnfs. Out	TOTAL
GENERAL FUND		21,525,955	19,274,091	853,500	20,127,591	424,000	7,500	365,000	57,000	-	-	853,500
001	General Fund	21,525,955	19,274,091	853,500	20,127,591	424,000	7,500	365,000	57,000	-	-	853,500
001-006	States Attorney	3,925,135	3,514,520	104,000	3,618,520	94,500	2,500	7,000	-	-	-	104,000
001-012	County Sheriff	16,745,442	14,993,675	449,500	15,443,175	329,500	5,000	115,000	-	-	-	449,500
001-027	County Election Commission	855,378	765,896	300,000	1,065,896	-	-	243,000	57,000	-	-	300,000
TOTAL OF AMENDMENTS - ALL FUNDS		21,525,955	19,274,091	853,500	20,127,591	424,000	7,500	365,000	57,000	-	-	853,500



Andrew A. Rand
County Board Chairman

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PEORIA COUNTY CLERK

Date: June 11, 2020

PETITION FOR SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

We, the undersigned members of the Peoria County Board, request a special meeting of the County Board to be held:

Date: Tuesday, June 16, 2020
Time: 3:30 pm
Place: via online / livestream

Subject: An additional appropriation totaling \$853,500.00 to the County Election Commission, Peoria County Sheriff, and Peoria County States Attorney budgets for the purpose of funding full and fair elections and support of special purpose law enforcement programs

Signed:

Betty Duncan

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Date:

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