

Legislation Text

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Probation Department recommending the Board approve the addition of one (1) Interactive Display System to Probation's Fixed Asset Listing.

FUNDING: General Fund. DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND

The Probation Department (Probation) is purchasing one (1) Interactive Display System (interactive whiteboard) for the Probation training room. While the components of the system purchased individually are not over the \$5,000.00 Fixed Asset threshold, this item is being purchased in accordance with the County's purchasing policies and procedures and due to the total amount of the purchase at \$7,216.22, Probation is submitting this item to the Board of Supervisors as it will most likely generate a need for the item(s) to be placed on the Probation Department's fixed asset listing.

The interactive whiteboard requested will allow Probation to interact with County departments, employees, outside agency and community partners, to facilitate meetings, assist with Probation client and employee training, and enhance distance learning. In the aftermath of COVID-19 pandemic, increased focus on social distancing requirements and reduction of our in office population to promote non-contact interactions has proved that our current technology is inadequate and obsolete in most cases. In addition to other advantages, the Interactive System will create an interactive learning environment. The Interactive Whiteboard technology will also be beneficial as the Probation Department recovers from the negative impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

ALTERNATIVES

N/A

PRIOR BOARD ACTION

N/A

OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT

Information Technologies

CAO RECOMMENDATION / COMMENTS

Approve as recommended.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no General Fund impact or increase to Net County Cost. Funding for this item will come from savings in other fixed asset projects that were not completed during the fiscal year. Due to COVID-19 and to ensure the safety of staff and the public, Probation closed it offices to outside vendors which put a stop to several fixed asset projects that had yet to be completed.

CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS

None

STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT

Good Governance

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