

County of El Dorado

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Legislation Text

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Chief Administrative Office recommending the Board authorize the payment of \$81,957 to the El Dorado Hills County Water District (El Dorado Hills Fire Department), finding that such payment will increase funding for the department to deliver fire protection and emergency medical services, providing a valuable public benefit.

FUNDING: General Fund. DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND

On June 12, 2018, the Board adopted Resolution 125-2018 (File No. 18-0922), authorizing a base property tax transfer to the El Dorado Hills Fire Department related to the Department's annexation of the Latrobe Fire Protection District service area. The resolution provides that the transfer does not include the amount of the Educational Revenue Augmentation Fund (ERAF) encumbrance associated with the base revenues. The resolution includes a provision for the Board to consider the payment of the equivalent amount of the ERAF encumbrance annually as part of the County Budget process. The amount is to be calculated annually by the Auditor-Controller. The FY 2018-19 payment was included in that year's budget and payment in the amount of \$78,338 was approved by the Board on June 4, 2019 (File No. 19-0860) The Board of Supervisors approved payment of the ERAF amount, estimated at \$75,000, as part of the FY 2019-20 budget process; however, the actual calculated amount is \$81,957. There are sufficient funds to cover the additional cost.

ALTERNATIVES

The Board could choose not to make this payment this fiscal year.

OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT

Auditor-Controller, County Counsel

CAO RECOMMENDATION / COMMENTS

Approve as recommended, in keeping with the Board's direction to include this payment in the budget. The Board must decide annually whether to include funding in the budget for this purpose in future years.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

\$75,000 of General Fund was included in the FY 2019-20 Budget. The additional \$6,957 will be covered through savings.

CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS

N/A

STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT

N/A

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