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I am Sharon Fickes, legal resident of Pima County: Contact # Following are my comments for the Board of Supervisors Meeting 1-23-2024

Agenda #10 Outside Agency Funding Various Awards FY24-25 Increased by \$600,000

Review the Monthly Financial Update Agenda Item #14 and Inflation Contingency funding Agenda Item #15. Why is it that Pima County has such high crime, an excessive budget with plenty of Federal Funding and yet Pima County continues to have numerous overages from various departments? This Pima County Board continues working for funds to give millions to NGOs supporting illegals. Does the GMI department spend any time looking for grants to support Pima County citizens and stop all the overages in other areas? We don't need more funding for outside agencies. We need the various departments trained to create a reasonable budget each FY and then work within that budget. Maybe Pima County really doesn't have the funds to purchase OPEN SPACE along with many other un-realistic spending areas when we continuously have overages. How will Pima County fund this \$600,000 increase? Are you working to increase taxpayer property taxes? VOTE NO

God Bless America Sharon Fickes

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Please add the following remarks to the Board of Supervisors meeting agenda.

Agenda Item #12 County Administrator Salary Adjustment.

Under former Administrator C. Huckleberry, his Pima County salary frequently led the nation. We do not need to be in the forefront on this issue. Administrator Lesher's salary of \$260,000 with various benefits is more than adequate. The Board of Supervisors should not be "yes men (and women)" and should evaluate this position based on County revenue. As noted in Item 14 there are significant funding shortfalls and this would be an admirable place to start cutting to bring the fiscal budget in line with revenues. **VOTE NO**

Agenda Item #14 County Monthly Financial Update

Jan Lesher's January 17 memo was quite an eye-opener into the deplorable workings of the County, We are getting a November report mid-January!! The Board of Supervisors Policy D22.2 requires departments projected to exceed their Appropriated Budget must immediately develop and IMPLEMENT a **budget remediation plan**. The definition of remediation is action of remedying something, in particular reversing or stopping damage.

All departments projecting expenditures exceeding budget should be involved. The \$2M shortfall in Human Resources and Transportation, the almost \$2M in Information Technology and the \$1.5M for Public Defense Services are unacceptable. (The cost of contracted attorneys for Public Defense is projected to cost \$2.2M more than budgeted!!) Departments need to immediately begin remediation - the drastic cutting of expenses. And their actions in this regard need to be forwarded to you. Perhaps it's time for a RIF (Reduction in Force). Perhaps it is past time for desperate actions to be taken.

Gail Ault Pima County resident

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