

MEMORANDUM

Date: May 15, 2024

To: The Honorable Chair and Members,

Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: Jan Lesker

County Administrator

Re: Recommended Uses of Inflation Contingency Funds

In anticipation of continued inflationary pressures, the Board had allocated nearly \$5 million within the contingency fund for inflation in the Fiscal Year 2023/24 Adopted Budget. This allocation was specifically intended to address the impact of inflation on departmental budgets, ensuring the continuity of operations without compromising the quality of services provided.

As a reminder, in January 2024, the Board authorized budget adjustments related to increased electricity costs for Facilities Management and the Sheriff's Department. Finance and Risk Management (Finance) performed an analysis of all electricity bills paid over the past 21 months (July 2022 through March 2024). Most departments experienced higher than budgeted electricity costs.

Below are the recommended uses for the inflation contingency funds related to electricity.

Department	January Budget Adjustment	Proposed May Budget Adjustment	Total Budget Adjustment		
Facilities Management	\$ 537,867	\$ 55,030	\$ 592,897		
Justice Courts - Ajo		3,134	3,134		
Juvenile Court		71,358	71,358		
Kino Stadium District		55,183	55,183		
Pima County Attorney		16,149	16,149		
Natural Resources, Parks & Recreation		2,396	2,396		
Superior Courts		9,214	9,214		
Sheriff's Department	307,394	42,394	349,788		
Total	\$ 845,261	\$ 254,858	\$ 1,100,119		

In addition to increased utility costs, inflation has impacted prices for food supplies, fuel, and oil in the Sheriff's Department. Finance performed a 21-month analysis on food, fuel, and oil costs to determine an amount of additional funding to offset these overages due to

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inflation. As a result of this analysis, we recommend using the inflation contingency in the amounts below.

Sheriff's Department	uary Budget djustment	oposed May Budget djustment	Total Budget Adjustment		
Food Supplies	\$ 179,052	\$ 92,478	\$	271,530	
Fuel & Oil	64,254	127,676		191,930	
Total	\$ 243,306	\$ 220,154	\$	463,460	

Recommendation

In response to the inflationary pressures felt by General Fund departments in the areas of electricity, food supplies and fuel & oil, I recommend providing the departments listed in the table below \$475,012 from the inflation contingency that was included in the FY 2023/24 Adopted Budget.

Department	Electricity		Food Supplies		Fuel & Oil		Total Budget Adjustment	
Facilities Management	\$	55,030	\$	-	\$	-	\$	55,030
Justice Courts - Ajo		3,134						3,134
Juvenile Court		71,358						71,358
Kino Stadium District		55,183						55,183
Pima County Attorney		16,149						16,149
Natural Resources, Parks & Recreation		2,396						2,396
Superior Courts		9,214						9,214
Sheriff's Department		42,394		92,478		127,676		262,548
Total	\$	254,858	\$	92,478	\$	127,676	\$	475,012

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c: Carmine DeBonis Jr., Deputy County Administrator
Francisco Garcia, MD, MPH, Deputy County Administrator & Chief Medical Officer
Steve Holmes, Deputy County Administrator
Ellen Moulton, Director, Finance and Risk Management