## BCC Hearing Room Upgrade Project Supplemental Budget

### **Project Title**

BCC Hearing Room Upgrade Project

### **Brief Description of the Request**

This project will update the BCC Hearing room to offer increased functionality and use of the space for various events. Specifically, the Audio Visual (AV) system will be modernized to offer live streaming, recording of meetings, advanced virtual meeting room functions (Zoom, Teams, etc.), and improved sound and visual components. Furniture is being replaced to provide added functionality of the space through different arrangements for BCC Hearings, County functions, and public events. There are remodeling needs in the Hearing Room to accommodate the AV components, which will be an expense of the Facilities Management Pool budget. Replacement of the AV equipment will be an expense of the Information Technology Pool budget.

### Source of Unanticipated Revenue and Funding

Additional revenue is not expected to offset this request; however, Facilities Management is directly managing the construction (as opposed to hiring a General Contractor) with the intent of saving some overall project cost.

### Core, Necessary or Discretionary Request

This is a Core request as this work will be essential to completing the project.

### **Grant Funding**

N/A

### Justification

The BCC Hearing Room upgrade project was initiated per a County Manager request in 2021. The scope of the project has increased since the initial conversations. During conceptual and design meetings it was recognized that the best course was to commit to improving the functionality of the hearing room with current and future uses in mind. The upgrade to the AV system was designed with this in mind. Additional costs, per this request, are for Facilities Management's construction costs that will be necessary to prepare the space for the AV system installation and to increase the budget for Information Technology's AV equipment.

### **Cost-Benefit Analysis**

The principal benefit of this project will be a modernized, fully functional hearing room with systems in place to enable the hosting of various events for public users. The upgrades will also prove beneficial for County staff users including BCC hearings. The cost has increased as the scope has developed, but not beyond expectations given the current construction climate.

### Who Will Benefit?

County staff and citizens of Routt County will benefit from this project.

### Alternatives

The Audio Visual system vendor is under contract and has procured most associated equipment. Delaying the construction portion of this project will delay the installation of the AV system, ultimately creating a more costly implementation.

### **Emergency Need**

The timeline of the AV installation, per the AV contractor Linx Multimedia, is faster than expected. Linx cautioned about long lead times for equipment, even up to 1 year for various components at the time of the order, but in all actuality, we can move forward immediately. As such, the overall benefit of moving forward at this time will be to leverage available contractors and to work within Linx's schedule.

### **Consequences of Postponement or Denial**

The project will not move forward. Equipment already procured will be held and likely storage fees would be assessed from the vendor. The delay to the project would certainly result in cost increases if or when the project is reinitiated.

Accounting Information	Origin Budge		upplemental Budget	Amended Budget
General Fund				
Funding Sources				
Unanticipated sales tax	\$ (6,856	,136) \$	(128,000) \$	(6,984,136)
Total	\$ (6,856	,136) \$	(128,000) \$	(6,984,136)
<u>Expenditures</u>				
Transfer Expense - Facilities Management Pool Transfer Expense - Information Technology Pool	\$ 6,566 397	,209 \$ ,000	60,000 \$ 68,000	6,626,209 465,000
Total	\$ 6,963	,209 \$	128,000 \$	7,091,209
Facilities Management Pool				
Funding Sources				
Trans fer Revenue - General Fund	\$ 6,566	,209 \$	60,000 \(^{\\$}\)	6,626,209
Total	\$ 6,566	,209 \$	60,000 \$	6,626,209
<u>Expenditures</u>				
BCC Hearing Room Remodel	\$ 98	,000 \$	60,000 *\$	158,000
Total	\$ 98	,000 \$	60,000 \$	158,000
Information Technology Pool				
<u>Funding Sources</u> Trans fer Revenue - General Fund	\$ 397	,000 \$	68,000 <b>*</b> \$	465,000
Total	\$ 397	,000 \$	68,000 \$	465,000
Expenditures BCC Hearing Room - Audio Visual Equipment	\$ 60	,000 \$	68,000 <b>*</b> \$	128,000
Total	\$ 60	,000 \$	68,000 \$	128,000

# **Internal Service Department Managers Review Comments**

None

# Department Manager Signature/Date N/A Human Resources Signature/Date Budget Manager Signature/Date N/A Purchasing Manager Signature/Date County Attorney Signature/Date County Manager Signature/Date County Commissioner/Date