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To: Board of County Commissioners

Through: Director Name, Title, Department

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Presenter: Jeff Ulrich, District Attorney's Office

Subject:

2:30 PM *District Attorney's Office 2022 Budget Request

Purpose and Request:

The purpose of this study session is to update the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) on 2021 activities of the Office of the District Attorney and to present the 2022 County budget request of the Office. It will be included in the 2022 budget requests reviewed by the Executive Budget Committee and recommended for approval by the Board.

Background and Discussion: The District Attorney's Office is funded by four counties and will be presenting the same budget for recommendation to each of its funding counties. The presentation will include a discussion on trends in crime and law enforcement funding, and our request for budget funding for 2022. Many legislative changes in 2020-2021 will have a direct financial impact on our operations. We will also address a salary market survey completed in 2021 resulting in several position class starting salaries in need of adjustment. The review of the DA's budget request is in line with the County's objective of Fiscal Responsibility related to responsible use of taxpayers' funds. It also funds positions that protect the rights of victims of crime and seek justice to ensure a high quality of life for our community, in fostering safe communities.

Fiscal Impact: The Office is requesting a 6.27% increase for 2022. Arapahoe County's share of this is \$1,005,583. The Office is requesting approval of salary and benefit increases of 3.86% to stay competitive with

other district attorney's offices pay scales and benefits.

Alternatives: N/A

Alignment with Strategic Plan:

- ☐ Be fiscally sustainable
- ☒ Provide essential and mandated service
- ☐ Be community focused

Staff Recommendation: N/A

Concurrence: N/A