<u>Agenda Item #:</u> 💰

# PALM BEACH COUNTY

## **BOARD of COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

## AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: 01/14/2014

] Consent [X] Regular] Public Hearing

Department:

Submitted By:

Internal Auditor's Office

## I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

#### Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to approve:

**A.** Addition of the Internal Audit Manager position to the complement of the County Internal Auditor's Office; and

**B.** Approve a \$52,828 budget transfer from the General Fund Contingency Reserve to fund the position for the remainder of fiscal year 2014.

**Summary:** The previous audit manager retired in August 2012 and the position was reclassified to a senior auditor based on the county internal auditor's belief that he could perform the duties of both positions and that an additional auditor was more important. Subsequently, the county internal auditor has been overwhelmed by the duties of both positions and has realized that an audit manager position is essential to the effective functioning of the office. The county internal audit committee reviewed this situation in November, 2013 and unanimously supports this request. Countywide (PFK)

**Background and Policy Issues:** The Internal Auditor's Office has had an audit manager position since the early 1990s when there were 12 staff in the office. Due to recent budget reductions the staff was reduced to 8 positions in FY 2011. With the retirement of the previous audit manager in August 2012, the internal auditor believed he could handle the duties of both positions and that reclassifying the audit manager position to a senior auditor would enhance the productivity of the office. Since then the internal auditor has been overwhelmed by the duties of both positions producing a reduction in the productivity of the office. The matter was brought to the audit committee for consideration in November 2013. The audit committee determined that reinstatement of the former audit manager position was necessary and unanimously approved requesting the new position.

### Attachment:

Memorandum from Mark J. Burger, Chairman, Internal Audit Committee Budget Transfer form

Recommended by: 13/13 Recommended by: County Administrator

# II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

## A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Capital Expenditures					
Operating Costs	\$52,828				1
External Revenues					
Program Income (County)					
In-Kind Match (County)					
NET FISCAL IMPACT	\$52,828				
# ADDITIONAL FTE	1				
<b>POSITIONS (Cumulative)</b>					

Is Item Included In Cu	irrent I	Budget?	Yes		No	X	
Budget Account No.:	Fund	<u>0001</u>	Agency	500	Org.	5000	Object
Program Number							<b>Revenue Source</b>

B. Recommended Sources of Funds/Summary of Fiscal Impact:

General fund contingency reserve

A. Department Fiscal Review:

# III. <u>REVIEW COMMENTS:</u>

A. OFMB Fiscal and/or Contract Administration Comments:

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Legal Sufficiency: В.

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C. Other Department Review:

Department Director

This summary is not to be used as a basis for payment.



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#### **County Administrator**

Robert Weisman

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## Date: December 10, 2013

- To: Priscilla Taylor, Mayor and Members of the Board of County Commissioners
- From: Mark J. Burger, CPA, Chairman and Members of the Internal M

Re: Reestablishment of the Position of Internal Audit Manager

When the former Internal Audit Manager retired in August 2012, the County Internal Auditor made a decision to assume the duties of the Audit Manager in addition to his normal activities and allowed the position to be reclassified to a Senior Auditor position in the Department's budget.

Based on the current staffing and activity of the Internal Audit Department, the Internal Audit Committee has concluded that, despite the Internal Auditors best efforts, the position of Internal Audit Manager should not have been reclassified. In attempting to perform both his job, and that of the former audit manager, the County Internal Auditor has been overwhelmed with detailed reviews and oversight of the daily audit work to the detriment of his essential responsibilities.

We believe the position of Internal Audit Manager is necessary to support the proper functioning of the internal audit office by providing the detailed reviews and oversight necessary to conduct audits at the highest level in compliance with Government Auditing Standards while providing effective on-the-job training.

Accordingly, we respectfully request the Board of County Commissioners reestablish the position of Internal Audit Manager along with the necessary funding to support the position.

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#### **BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA **BUDGET TRANSFER**

#### Fund 0001 General Fund

BGEX 500-12111300000000476

ACC	COUNT NAME AND NUMBER	ORIGINAL BUDGET	CURRENT BUDGET	INCREASE	DECREASE	ADJUSTED BUDGET	EXPENDED/ ENCUMBERED AS OF 12/11/13	REMAINING BALANCE		
Expenditures										
500-5000-1201	Salaries and Wages Regular	744,248	744,248	42,500	0	786,748	134,140	652,608		
500-5000-2101	FICA Taxes	42,663	42,663	2,635	0	45,298	6,477	38,821		
500-5000-2105	FICA Medicare	10,478	10,478	616	0	11,094	1,913	9,181		
500-5000-2201	Retirement Contributions - FRS	69,142	69,142	1,275	0	70,417	12,953	57,464		
500-5000-2301	Insurance - Life and Health	92,832	92,832	5,802	0	98,634	15,676	82,958		
820-9900-9901	Contingency Reserves	20,000,000	20,030,508	0	52,828	19,977,680		19,977,680		
TOTAL APPRO	<b>DPRIATIONS &amp; EXPENDITURES</b>			`52,828	52,828					
	Internal Auditor's Office		Signatures & Dates					BY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AT MEETING OF January 14, 2014		
Adminis	ATING DEPARTMENT/DIVISION tration/Budget Department Approval OFMB Department - Posted	Joseph 7/06	by Bla	17 Juc 201 0/2013	3	Deputy Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners				
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