## **Agenda Summary Report (ASR)**

## **Franklin County Board of Commissioners**

DATE SUBMITTED: 12/21/2023 PREPARED BY: Office of Public Defense

Meeting Date Requested: 01/04/2024 PRESENTED BY: Office of Public Defense

ITEM: (Select One) X Consent Agenda Brought Before the Board

Time needed:

SUBJECT: Reallocation of funds in 2024 budget from PDC II (employee) to Superior Court

Contracts (Contract)

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

**BACKGROUND:** On March 7, 2023 resolution 2023-074 was approved by this Board to convert a full-time felony contract into an employee position is hopes to be more attractive to potential candidates. This position has never been filled and has remained vacant since that date.

At the present time we have an attorney who is interested in filling this position as a contractor. At this time we are requesting that the position dissolve and the currently allocated funds of \$132,858 for 2024 be moved from Personnel into Superior Court Contracts(4112).

If approved we will be beginning 2024 with all the superior court positions filled which will significantly decrease the amount of expenditures for overflow cases. In 2023 due to only having 2 out of the 5 positions filled, expenditures became an extraordinary expense for the County causing significant unanticipated cost.

**COORDINATION:** Larry Zeigler, OPD Manager

Whitney Conner, Coordinator

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve requested reallocation of funds to convert employee position back to

contract.

ATTACHMENTS: (Documents you are submitting to the Board)

ASR -Resolution

HANDLING / ROUTING: (Once document is fully executed it will be imported into Document Manager. Please list <a href="mailto:name(s">name(s)</a> of party(s) that will need a pdf.)

Original: Clerk of the Board

OPD

I certify the above information is accurate and complete.

Name: Whitney Conner Title: Coordinator

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## BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

## RESOLUTION OF RECLASSIFICATION OF PUBLIC DEFENDER POSITION FROM EMPLOYEE TO CONTRACTOR POSITION INCLUDING RELOCATING ALREADY BUDGETED FUNDS FROM 101180/PERSONNEL SERVICES TO 101180/4112

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners approved a budget of \$132,858 in 2024 for a staff attorney position within the OPD budget (PDC II); and

WHEREAS, on March 7, 2023 resolution 2023-074 was approved converting a Superior Court contract into a staff attorney and that position has not been filled; and

WHEREAS, OPD has identified a qualified attorney who is requesting a contract to provide such services within Franklin County Superior Court; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** the Franklin County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the reclassification of this employee position and replace same with a contractor position within the OPD budget; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** the \$132,858 be relocated from Personnel Services (101180) to 101180/4112 Superior Court Contracts for the aforementioned position and be distributed respectively.

APPROVED this day of January, 2024.	FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON
	Chair
	Chair Pro Tem
Attest:	Member
Clerk of the Roard	