INITIAL FISCAL YEAR 2018/19 BUDGET PREPARATION ASSUMPTIONS

<u>Revenues</u>

- Property Tax Revenue to increase by 4% from the corrected Property Assessment Roll as of most recent close of the Assessment Roll in July 2017.
- State funding for Public Safety Services (Proposition 172) based on statewide sales tax and a statewide distribution formula. This critical funding source accounts for over 50% of Public Safety Departments Intergovernmental revenues. Prop. 172 funding is projected to increase by 3%.
- Assume Revenues from the State for AB 109 to decrease in available unspent carryforward, requiring an overall reduction in AB 109 spending to align appropriations for programs and services with available funding.

Expenditures

Labor Cost:

- Include the annualized cost of raises that became effective in FY2017/18.
- Include the annualized cost of new positions added in FY2017/18.
- <u>Retirement (PERS) Rates</u>: Retirement rates vary for each of the individual department's employees, depending on the terms of the MOU of the employee's Bargaining Unit. Due to the California Public Employee Retirement System's (CalPERS) current design of the County's retirement benefit plans, the County's share of retirement rates are increasing as shown below:
 - Miscellaneous from 20.967% in FY2017/18 to 22.939% in FY2018/19
 - Safety from 27.542% in FY2017/18 to 30.258% in FY2018/19
- <u>Pension Obligation Bonds (POB)</u>: The amount needed to pay the principal and interest in FY2018/19, as a percentage of the total payroll, results in the following rates:
 - Miscellaneous from 4.437% in FY2017/18 to 1.543% in FY2018/19
 - Safety from 4.574% in FY2017/18 to 2.708% in FY2018/19
- <u>Health Insurance Rates</u>: Salary Projections for FY2018/19 reflect a 10% increase for calendar year 2019 Health Insurance rates.

Insurance Costs:

- <u>Liability Insurance</u>: In FY2017/18, the County utilized \$284,715 of available fund balance to offset charges to departments. However, for FY2018/19 there is no available fund balance to reduce charges to departments. As a result, the FY2018/19 charges to departments will increase \$96,305. Individual departments may see increases or decreases in their rates based on their respective loss experiences.
- <u>Property Insurance:</u> In FY2017/18, the County utilized \$237,270 in available fund balance to offset charges to departments. For FY2018/19, the County will utilize \$130,000 of available fund balance to offset charges. Additionally, property insurance premiums have increased \$273,700 above current fiscal year premiums. Combined, these factors result in an increase \$411,091 over FY2017/18 charges to departments.
- <u>Workers' Compensation Insurance:</u> The FY2018/19 rates have been developed based on an Actuarial Confidence Level of 75%. In FY2017/18, the County utilized \$1,208,923 in available fund balance to reduce charges to departments. However, for FY2018/19, there is no available fund balance to reduce charges to departments. Additionally, while FY2018/19 insurance premiums reflect a decrease of \$153,000 below current fiscal year

premiums; workers' compensation insurance claims for FY2018/19 reflect an increase of \$1,769,883. Combined, these factors result in an increase of \$2,848,923 over FY2017/18 charges to departments. The majority of departments will see an increase in their rates; however, charges are also based on loss experience.

<u>Unemployment Insurance</u>: The County will utilize \$70,388 in available fund balance to reduce charges to departments in FY2018/19. In FY2017/18, \$106,089 of available fund balance was used to reduce charges. Additionally, insurance claims are expected to increase by \$22,883. This translates to an increase from 0.0579% of budgeted payroll costs in FY2017/18 to 0.0809% in FY2018/19.

Other Expenditures:

- In-line with the 2016 Facilities Condition Analysis, the County is required to maintain a minimum investment of \$3 million annually to maintain the facilities portfolio in "Good" condition. It is anticipated that this cost will continue to be funded through the Capital Renewal Reserve (Deferred Capital/Maintenance Projects).
- It is anticipated that discussions will continue with the Board on the funding of rising pension costs and unfunded liabilities, and the County will continue to look at Pension Obligations and strategies to address this rising County Cost.
- It is anticipated that there will be limited changes in Contributions to Non-County agencies.

Initial Projection of Fund Balance:

- Projected Fund Balance of \$26.9 million at year end, June 30, 2018.
- General Fund Contingency is anticipated to be in a range of \$10 to \$12 million in FY2018/19.
- Draws from the Unfunded Employee Leave Payoff Reserve, Capital Renewal Reserve, Employer PERS Rate Increase Reserve and the General Reserve, may be required to finance the operational deficit in FY2018/19.