RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2021-146

MEETING: March 23, 2021

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Shannon Gadd, Health and Human Services Agency Director

RE: Add One Allocation of a Mental Health Assistant III and Eliminate One Social Worker III Allocation

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Add One Allocation of a Mental Health Assistant III and Eliminate One Social Worker III Allocation in the Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) Behavioral Health Services Branch Effective Immediately.

There is sufficient funding in the FY2020-2021 behavioral health budgets to accommodate the position through June 30, 2021. The position will be included in the FY2021-2022 behavioral health budgets. There will be no impact on the County General Fund.

There is a greater need for a Mental Health Assistant III in the Behavioral Health Branch to assist with behavioral health functions; therefore, we are requesting approval to replace the Social Worker III allocation with the Mental Health Assistant III allocation.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
It is typical of the Board to review and approve the addition and elimination of position allocations.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
If the Board does not approve adding this Mental Health Assistant III position and removing the Social Worker III position, this may hinder HHSA in keeping up with the demands and functions in the Behavioral Health Branch.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
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RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Rosemarie Smallcombe, District I Supervisor
SECONDER: Wayne Forsythe, District IV Supervisor
AYES: Smallcombe, Sweeney, Long, Forsythe, Menetrey