



District Attorney  
COUNTY OF TULARE  
AGENDA ITEM

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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**AGENDA DATE:** December 15, 2015

Public Hearing Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Published Notice Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advertised Published Notice	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Meet & Confer Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Electronic file(s) has been sent	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Personnel Resolution attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Agreements are attached and signature line for Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s)	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

CONTACT PERSON: Dan Underwood    PHONE: 636-5494

**SUBJECT:** Ratify and approve an agreement with the Insurance Commissioner of the State of California.

**REQUEST(S):**

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Ratify and approve the Grant Award Agreement for acceptance of grant funding from the Insurance Commissioner of the State of California for the Automobile Insurance Fraud Prosecution Program in the amount of \$190,000 retroactive to July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. This grant is retroactive due to having received the signed grant award in November 2015.
2. Ratify and approve the District Attorney's signature on the Agreement.
3. Find that the Board had authority to enter into the proposed agreement as of July 1, 2015 and that it was in the County's best interest to enter into the agreement on that date.
4. Direct the Board Clerk to prepare a certified copy of the resolution for the District Attorney's Office.

**SUMMARY:**

The purpose of the Automobile Insurance Fraud Prosecution Program is to increase the investigation and prosecution of automobile insurance fraud cases. The Program targets those individuals who are actively involved in defrauding Tulare County businesses, governmental entities, medical providers and insurance companies through filing false claims for automobile insurance payments.

The Office of the District Attorney has been awarded this grant for several years.

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The grant period for this renewal is July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. However, the countersigned Grant Award Agreement, which the District Attorney of the County is specifically required to sign, was not received from the California Department of Insurance until November 2015. Therefore, the District Attorney's Office requests that this agreement is ratified and approved, retroactive to July 1, 2015.

This agreement was reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel on November 30, 2015, and does not include any deviations from the County contract protocol.

**FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:**

The funding for the program was included in the District Attorney's FY 2015/2016 budget. There is no net County cost to the General Fund.

**LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:**

The County's five-year Strategic Business Plan and Management System include Safety and Security initiatives to provide for the safety and security of the public. The authorization to accept continued grant funding from the California Department of Insurance helps to fulfill this initiative by continuing to provide dedicated staff to investigate and prosecute auto insurance fraud cases throughout Tulare County, protecting businesses and individuals from being victims of this kind of fraud.

**ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:**

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Dan Underwood  
Assistant District Attorney

Cc: Auditor-Controller  
County Counsel  
County Administrative Office (2)

Attachment(s) Grant Award Agreement

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVE AN** )  
**AGREEMENT WITH THE INSURANCE** ) **Resolution No.** \_\_\_\_\_  
**COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF** ) **Agreement No.** \_\_\_\_\_  
**CALIFORNIA.** )

UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISOR \_\_\_\_\_, SECONDED BY  
SUPERVISOR \_\_\_\_\_, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN OFFICIAL MEETING HELD \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:

ATTEST: JEAN M. ROUSSEAU  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/  
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

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