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AGENDA DATE: April 10, 2018

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: Tulare County District Attorney's Office Forensic Investigations Unit Presentation

REQUEST(S):

Presentation regarding the District Attorney's Forensic Investigations Unit.

SUMMARY:

The District Attorney's Office has two investigators dedicated to the Forensic Investigations Unit (FIU). Both have extensive expertise on the forensic examination of computers, tablets and cell phones; devices which often contain evidence that can be used in a criminal case. These devices are used in myriad crimes – from murder, to sex abuse, to white collar crime, to vehicular manslaughter.

In 2017, the FIU examined over 200 items, performing 413 forensic examinations on these devices. The Unit has authored and served over 50 search warrants, and currently has 67 cases under investigation.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

N/A

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

The County's five-year Strategic Business Plan includes Safety and Security initiatives that include "effectively and fairly investigate, arrest, prosecute and punish individuals who engage in criminal behaviors". This presentation shows one way the District Attorney's Office is meeting that initiative.

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ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:

Dan Underwood
Chief Deputy District Attorney

Cc: Auditor-Controller
County Counsel
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