BUDGET SPECIALIST

<u>DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS</u>: This is specialized technical budget work of a complex nature which involves responsibility for monitoring all County contracts, grants, grant funds, analyzing capital projects and budgetary expenditures, as well as other fiscal and budget-related matters. Supervision is primarily received from the Deputy Budget Director, and work guidance (e.g. lead work) may be provided to others. Does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:

Reviews, monitors, and performs fiscal management of all County contracts including the preparation and posting of year-end rollovers;

Monitors grants and grant funds by preparing reports, tracking the progress of grant-related payments/activities, acting as liaison to County departments to resolve problems with grant management, and projecting the impact of grant-related activities, funding and reimbursement resources on the County budget;

Acts as liaison for contract agencies (not-for-profit) by preparing budget-related reports, coordinating the flow of information among County departments, maintaining an ongoing database, etc;

Prepares budget analysis and summary for assigned County departments;

Prepares proposed and adopted capital budgets and monitors the fiscal status of same and attends meetings about capital projects;

Prepares reports regarding a variety of budgetary matters, including but not limited to the progress of capital projects, contingency funds, transfer of funds, etc.;

Prepares and maintains master database of resolutions and posts legislative actions regarding budgetary impact;

Analyzes and makes recommendations regarding departmental transfer requests; Prepares and posts quarterly salary charges for County departments, as assigned;

Approves capital vouchers and purchase requisitions;

Reviews, analyzes and makes recommendations for requests for bond authorizations;

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Thorough knowledge of the principles, practices, methods and techniques of public budget preparation and monitoring; good knowledge of the functions and procedures of County departments, especially as they relate to capital projects and grant management; ability to understand and interpret written material, especially as it pertains to budget-related projects; ability to prepare a variety of reports, including those of a routine fiscal nature; ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing; ability to establish and maintain cooperative relations with others.

<u>MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:</u> Possession of a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration, Finance, Marketing or comparable curriculum and <u>either</u>

- 1. Three (3) years of technical municipal budget experience, or
- 2. Three (3) years of municipal accounting experience, or
- 3. Any combination of experience outlined in #1 or #2.

NOTE: Twenty-four (24) credit hours in any one of the above fields will be deemed the equivalent of a major therein.

PROMOTION: Two (2) years of permanent status as a Budget Staff Assistant II.