BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

The Office of the CFO's biennial budget is \$9.1 million in FY 2016/17 and \$9.2 million in FY 2017/18 or a decrease of 6.1% and a slight increase of 1.4% respectively from the prior budget years. The change is primarily due to the following factors:

- Salaries and benefits have been reduced by 5.9% over the biennium as a result of three positions being unfunded and several position classifications being downgraded. The budget reflects merit increases for qualified employees and an increase in retirement-related benefit costs.
- Professional Services and other non-labor costs which represent about 13% of the budget increased by 3.4% over the biennium primarily as a result of the increased cost of commercial banking services, portfolio investment management services, and software and licensing support costs for Business Continuity efforts.

The following are the significant changes by budget year.

FY 2016/17

Personnel-related issues

Total personnel count remains flat from the FY 2015/16 budget. This follows the elimination of five positions through the last several budget cycles. In addition, three positions have been unfunded and several position classifications have been downgraded over the biennium.

The budget reflects a decrease in capital labor following the completion of the Oracle upgrade.

Professional Services

The budget reflects increased cost of commercial banking services and portfolio investment management services and efforts associated with ad valorem property tax verification.

Materials and Supplies

The budget reflects software and licensing support costs for the Business Continuity Program Management System.

FY 2017/18

Personnel-related issues

Total personnel count remains flat from the FY 2016/17 budget. The slight increase in Salaries and Benefits budget is due to merit increases for qualified employees and an increase in retirement-related benefit costs.

Professional Services

The budget reflects increased cost of commercial banking services and portfolio investment management services.