

## Kinnard, Clarence

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**From:** Schabo, Tim  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 11, 2023 12:01 PM  
**To:** Burgelis, Peter  
**Cc:** Kinnard, Clarence; Knutson, Alec; Ludwig, Fred  
**Subject:** RE: Committee on Finance-Budget: October 10, 2023 Referral Request

Good Afternoon Supervisor Burgelis,

Per your request yesterday during Finance Committee, here is a breakdown of what the operational costs for Government Affairs is for.

The \$200K in operational costs can be classified in the following manner:

- 1.) \$150K in Membership dues and professional services related to legislative consulting services and legislative advocacy for both state and federal activities.
- 2.) \$~33K in related travel costs tied to County Executive travel and lobbying efforts conducted by the office of Govt. Affairs.

The remainder of the costs are related to Govt. Affairs office overhead expenses.

It is important to note that the department has brought in hundreds of millions of dollars due to successful lobbying efforts both at the state and federal level. Also, the Office of Government Affairs has been the most successful local government in the state relative to the number of projects awarded funding through the Congressionally Directed Spending process.

Respectfully,

Timothy



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Good afternoon,

The following request for information was made at the October 10, 2023, meeting of the Committee on Finance-BUDGET regarding Item 3, and is included on page 4 of the [Finance-BUDGET 10/10/23 Meeting Minutes](#).

**Org. Unit 103 - County Executive - Office of Government Affairs**

**Supervisor Burgelis requested a breakdown of the \$200,000 in operational costs for the Office of Government Affairs.**

If you require additional clarity, please contact the requesting Supervisor.

Video from the October 10, 2023, Finance-BUDGET meeting is available in the [County Legislative Information Center](#).

Please include me in your official response to this request for information. If you have already responded, please forward that response to me.

All responses to requests for information regarding the 2024 Recommended Budget will be appended to [Legistar File No. 23-895](#), and will be discussed at the Monday, October 16, 2023, Finance-BUDGET Public Hearing at 4:00 p.m.

Best,



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