

County Attorney

DESCRIPTION

The County Attorney's Office represents the County in all civil legal matters and is responsible for providing a full range of legal services to the Board of Supervisors and all Boards, departments, agencies, Constitutional offices, and employees of the County, as well as the School Board and School divisions. This Office drafts or reviews proposed County ordinances and represents the County and its agencies in litigation. In addition, this office supervises work performed by outside legal counsel, maintains and updates the Hanover County Code, responds to resident inquiries, and drafts or reviews all deeds, leases, contracts, bonds, and other legal documents.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

- Provide prompt and effective legal assistance to all County elected and appointed Boards, Constitutional Officers, and all departments.

BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

FY05

Salaries and fringe benefits increased due to higher VRS contributions and health insurance costs and the addition of an Assistant County Attorney position to be filled mid-year. The increase in operating expenditures can be attributed to replacement computers.

FY06

Salaries and fringe benefits increased due to continued higher health insurance costs, the balance of the salary for the position hired mid-year FY05, and three positions that were benchmarked. The reduction in operating expenditures is a result of the office reexamining expenses and making reductions where appropriate.

BUDGET SUMMARY

Expenditures

	FY04 Budget	FY04 Actual	FY05 Budget	FY06 Budget	Percent Change
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Salaries and Fringe Benefits	\$ 765,959	\$ 771,427	\$ 846,562	\$ 937,045	10.7%
Operating Expenditures	89,013	71,433	105,605	99,282	-6.0%
Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	0.0%
Total Expenditures	\$ 854,972	\$ 842,860	\$ 952,167	\$ 1,036,327	8.8%
<u>Revenue</u>					
Delinquent Taxes	\$ -	\$ 40,420	\$ -	\$ -	0.0%
Total Department Generated Revenue	\$ -	\$ 40,420	\$ -	\$ -	0.0%
Generated Revenue Percent of Budget	0.0%	4.8%	0.0%	0.0%	
Other General Fund Revenue	\$ 854,972	\$ 802,440	\$ 952,167	\$ 1,036,327	8.8%
Other General Fund Percent of Budget	100.0%	95.2%	100.0%	100.0%	
Full-time Positions	8	8	9	9	0.0%
Full-time Equivalents	8.0	8.0	9.0	9.0	0.0%

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FUTURE FUNDING ISSUES

	FY07		FY08		FY09		FY10
<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Plan</u>		<u>Plan</u>		<u>Plan</u>		<u>Plan</u>
Salaries and Fringe Benefits	\$ 976,401	\$	1,017,410	\$	1,060,141	\$	1,104,667
Operating Expenditures	102,012		104,818		107,700		110,662
Capital Outlay	-		-		-		-
Total Planned Expenditures	\$ 1,078,414	\$	1,122,228	\$	1,167,841	\$	1,215,329
<u>Revenue</u>							
Total Department Generated Revenue	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Generated Revenue Percent of Budget	0.0%		0.0%		0.0%		0.0%
Other General Fund Revenue	\$ 1,078,414	\$	1,122,228	\$	1,167,841	\$	1,215,329
Other General Fund Percent of Budget	100.0%		100.0%		100.0%		100.0%
Full-time Positions	9		9		9		9
Full-time Equivalents	9.0		9.0		9.0		9.0

The budget represents a maintenance level of funding.