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MEMORANDUM

September 4, 2020

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Norman Foster, Director Norman Foster

Office of Management and Budget

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement Re: Proposed Ordinance Creating Section 18-7 of the Broward County

Code of Ordinances, Relating to a Police and Criminal Justice Review Board

Summary

The proposed ordinance would create a Broward County Police and Criminal Justice Review Board comprised of 16 voting members and two ex officio nonvoting members. The review board would be staffed by a Review Board Administrator, who would be appointed by the County Administrator or his or her designee, and other staff as provided by the County Administrator.

Fiscal Impact

The proposed ordinance requires the County Administrator to appoint a Review Board Administrator to serve as the Review Board's primary staff support and to supervise other staff as the County Administrator may provide. The proposed ordinance does not specifically authorize the creation of a new position and County Administration has indicated that an existing County employee will be appointed as the Review Board Administrator, in which case additional staff costs due to the creation of the Police and Criminal Justice Review Board will be minimal.

In addition, the proposed ordinance specifies that each voting member of the Review Board "shall attend training arranged by the County, which will include, at a minimum, an overview of policing and the criminal justice system in Broward County, one (1) ride-along with a local law enforcement agency, and training addressing racial inequity and implicit bias." It is anticipated that this training could be provided to Review Board members at minimal cost to the County. The overview of policing and the criminal justice system in Broward County and the ride-along could be organized by existing staff. The Department of Human Services offers a racial equity workshop, which would constitute training addressing racial inequity and implicit bias, that Review Board members could participate in at no additional cost to the County.

The proposed ordinance specifies that Review Board members shall not be compensated for their service on the Review
Board.

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