## **RESOLUTION 15-21**

## AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR CAPITAL AND FACILITY NEEDS OF THE $72^{\rm ND}$ DISTRICT COURT

WHEREAS, the 72<sup>nd</sup> District Court has identified capital needs involving courtroom and office technology, equipment and fixtures both present and future that cannot be addressed by general fund budget requests to the Board of Commissioners because of the expense involved; and

WHEREAS, the present court facilities are not adequate to serve plaintiffs, defendants, attorneys, court visitors, personnel and to handle current and projected caseload storage requirements; and

WHEREAS, State law allows courts in coordination with funding agencies to use all or part of certain costs that are collected by the courts for capital expenditures, both building and equipment; and

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of the community and the criminal justice system of the County to provide a means to address the needs of the District Court by use of revenue produced by users of the Court rather than by the use of general tax revenue.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:

- 1. The County Administrator/Controller is hereby authorized to establish a court capital improvement fund for capital and facility needs of the 72<sup>nd</sup> District Court under the control and direction of the Chief Judge of the District Court and the Administrator of the District Court.
- 2. A portion of court costs authorized by law to be distributed to the County will be allocated to the fund monthly by a formula to be agreed upon by the County and the 72<sup>nd</sup> District Court.
- 3. This fund will be established forthwith, effective January 1, 2016 and will continue until December 31, 2016.

Dated: October 15, 2015

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