Prince George's County Council Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 7/30/2004 **Reference No.:** CB-066-2004

Draft No.: 2

Proposer(s): County Executive

Sponsor(s): Hendershot, Shapiro, Harrington, Knotts

Item Title: An Act concerning borrowing to finance Capital Projects for County Buildings in an amount

not to exceed \$11,780,000, and providing for the issuance of such bonds

subject to referendum of the legal voters of the County

Drafter: Kathleen H. Canning, Office of Law

Resource Personnel: Steve Kaplan, OMB

Kim K. Coleman, OMB

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date Presented:Executive Action:8/16/2004 SCommittee Referral:7/6/2004 - C.O.W.Effective Date:11/12/2004

Committee Action: 7/6/2004 - FAV(A)

Date Introduced: 7/6/2004

Public Hearing: 7/27/2004 - 10:00 AM

Council Action (1) 7/30/2004 - ENACTED

Council Votes: MB:A, SHD:A, TD:A, CE:A, DCH:A, TH:A, TK:A, DP:A

Pass/Fail: P

Remarks: Approved at referendum on 11/2/2004

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Date 7/6/2004

Committee vote: Favorable as amended, 9-0, (In favor: Council Members Knotts, Bland, Dean, Dernoga, Exum, Harrington, Hendershot, Peters, Shapiro.

This bill will provide the authority to borrow an amount not to exceed \$11,780,000 to finance improvements to County Buildings as approved in the FY2005 - 2010 Capital Improvements Program (CIP). In accordance with Section 323 of the County Charter, upon enactment by the Council, this bill will be placed on the ballot in November 2004 for voter approval.

The Committee requested an opinion from Bond Counsel on whether the Opportunity Land Acquisition (SQ300133) project, which does not specify what property is to be acquired, is defined sufficiently to go to referendum. The legislation was amended as follows:

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1. On page 2, line 9, add "SQ300999 Thomas G. Pullen Arts Center."

The County Executive's Liaison to the Council and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget agreed that the Council would be provided a list of all the projects prior to the enactment of this legislation.

There is no fiscal impact on the County until these projects are incorporated into a bond authorization bill and the bonds are sold.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

(Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)

This bill provides the authority to borrow an amount not to exceed \$11,780,000 to finance improvements to County buildings as approved in the FY2005-2010 Capital Improvement Program. The amount enabled will provide sufficient funding to complete a useable portion of each project as required by Section 823 of the County Charter. The borrowings authorized in this bill will occur over several years as programmed in the FY2005-2010 Capital Improvement Program.

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