



THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT


Office of Audits and Investigations

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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

TO: Robert J. Williams, Jr.
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RE: Policy Analysis and Fiscal Note
CR-025-2021, Contract Approvals – Multiyear

CR-025-2021 (*Proposed and introduced by:* The Chair of the Council at the request of the County Executive)

Assigned to the Committee of the Whole

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING CONTRACT APPROVALS for the purpose of approving certain multiyear contracts in accordance with the Prince George's County Charter section 819 and Subtitle 10 of the Prince George's County Code.

Fiscal Summary

Direct Impact:

Expenditures: None expected, as this is a corrective measure.

Revenues: N/A.

Indirect Impact:

N/A.

Legislative Summary:

CR-025-2021, proposed by the Chair at the request of the County Executive, was introduced on March 16, 2021 and referred to the Committee of the Whole (COW). CR-025-2021 is a corrective resolution to provide for public comment required under County law.

Current Law/Background:

Under Section 819 of the Charter for Prince George's County, Maryland, the County Council must approve, by resolution, all multiyear contracts exceeding an aggregate of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000). Further, in accordance with Section 10-105¹ of the Prince George's County Code, the County Executive must annually submit a report listing certain multiyear personal service contracts for the coming fiscal year exceeding an aggregate of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) per contractor, and all other executory multiyear contracts for the coming fiscal year exceeding an aggregate of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000), as budgeted, for public review, comment, and approval action by the County Council.

CR-025-2021 will permit public comment on contracts submitted by the County Executive, and approved by the Council as part of the operating budget for *Fiscal Year (FY) 2021*. In the FY 2021 appropriations bill, CB-024-2020,² the list of contracts included with this resolution was approved (See Section 19 and Exhibit 7). However, due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on County operations, the listing of contracts was not subjected to public hearing or public comment prior to being approved as an attachment to the FY 2021 budget. CR-025-2021 is a corrective measure to remedy this issue, and ensure all required contracts receive the appropriate public review and County Council approval.

Discussion/Policy Analysis:

The contracts subject to approval, identical to those approved in CB-024-2020, are detailed within Attachment A to the Resolution. Attachment A does not include any multiyear personal services contracts over \$100,000; it includes 37 multiyear contracts exceeding an aggregate of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000). Of these, 26 are for the Office of Information Technology, three are for Non-Departmental, two are for the Office of Homeland Security, and one each for the

¹ §10-105(c) provides that "For purposes of compliance with the prescriptions of Section 819 of the County Charter, at the time of the submission of the proposed budget for the ensuing fiscal year or, not later than April 1 of each fiscal year, the County Executive shall submit to the County Council a report listing all executory multiyear personal service contracts for the ensuing fiscal year exceeding an aggregate of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) per contractor, and all other executory multiyear contracts for the ensuing fiscal year exceeding an aggregate of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) for review, public comment, and approval as part the Council budget approval process. The report shall list each contractor and total contract value of the executory multiyear contract. Any contract listed therein not approved by the Council shall be deemed disapproved."

² <https://princegeorgescountymd.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=4548709&GUID=BE2A8AC0-F444-4D91-8F8B-9217D9AAE00E>

Department of Corrections, Department of Public Works and Transportation, Fire/EMS Department, Office of Central Services, Office of Human Resources Management, and the Police Department. The aggregate amount of the contracts for FY 2021 is approximately \$122,414,961.

Fiscal Impact:

Direct Impact

Adoption of CR-025-2021 should not have an adverse direct fiscal impact on the County.

Indirect Impact

Adoption of CR-025-2021 should not have an indirect fiscal impact on the County.

Appropriated in the Current Fiscal Year Budget

Yes.

Effective Date of Proposed Legislation:

The proposed Resolution shall be effective on the date of adoption.

If you require additional information, or have questions about this fiscal impact statement, please call me.