

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

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Committee: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Date: 6/17/2021

Action: FAV

REPORT:

Committee Vote: Favorable 10-0 (In favor: Council Members Hawkins, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras and Turner)

The Committee convened on June 17, 2021 to review the resolution authorizing the Director of the Prince George's County Department of Public Works and Transportation to file applications for Fiscal Year 2022 with the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT), U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT), Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (MWCOG) for a variety of state and federal grant programs. CR-63 endorses DPWT's applications for the following grants:

MDOT

The Maryland Transit Administration (MTA) - under the Federal Transit Act:

- (1) Section 5311 Operating Funds
- (2) the Large Urban Operating Funds
- (3) the ADA Operating Funds
- (4) Statewide Special Transportation Assistance Program
- (5) Washington Area Grant
- (6) Ridesharing/Commuter Assistance Programs

The Maryland Highway Safety Office:

- (1) Be Seen, Be Alert, Be Safe - A Bicycle & Pedestrian Safety Campaign
- (2) Lives Shatter on Impact Wall - Street Smart Display

The State Highway Administration (SHA) - Safe Routes to Schools Program

MWCOG

Enhanced Mobility Program

Transportation Land-Use Connections Program

Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act Program grant

Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities program

Regional Safety Pilot Program

Federal Transit Administration (FTA) - Section 5339 Low or No Emission Bus Program

DHS - Transit Security Grant Program under the Federal Transit Act

DPWT staff (Martin Harris - Deputy Director, Semia Hackett – Associate Director and Marisol Peralta - Community Developer II) provided comments on the evolution of the grants application process, which is becoming more stream-lined. CR-63-2021 also authorizes the application for the apportionment for the Washington, DC/VA/MD urbanized area, which is being administered through the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (MWCOG), s well as any additional or remaining funding from the CRSSA, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, or other unanticipated Federal funding programs that would require application during Fiscal Year 2022.

After the discussion, the Committee voted favorably on CR-63-2021 by a vote of 10-0.