

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

April 24, 2024

The Honorable Jolene Ivey
Chair
Prince George's County Council
Wayne K. Curry Administration Building
1301 McCormick Drive
Largo, Maryland 20774

Dear Chairman Ivey:

Enclosed for consideration by the County Council is the first supplementary operating appropriations bill for Fiscal Year ("FY 2024").

General Fund Revenue Changes

First, this legislation provides additional appropriation authority totaling \$45,807,800 in the General Fund. The additional resources will increase the Fiscal Year 2024 General Fund Budget from \$4,513,632,600 to \$4,559,440,400 as expressed in CB-63-2023. The legislation includes an adjustment in revenue estimates for the general real property tax receipts (increase of \$8,789,000), interest income under Use of Money and Property (increase of \$12,544,200), other miscellaneous receipts from Radio One payments (increase of \$900,000), use of assigned fund balance (increase of \$10,101,100) and Board of Education outside sources (increase of \$13,473,700).

Board of Education Reconciliation

Specifically, this legislation provides \$13.5 million in supplementary appropriations in the General Fund to incorporate the FY 2024 budget reconciliation and first financial review transfer requests from the Board of Education (previously passed by the County Council in October 2023). For the Board of Education adjustments, the increase in outside sources revenue comes from State sources (\$11,165,100) in support of school-based initiatives across various expenditure categories and from Board Sources (\$2,308,600) in support of the Health Services expenditure category due to the multistate settlement agreement with JUUL Labs, Inc.

General Agency Adjustments

Additionally, this legislation appropriates additional resources to several County agencies/branches to cover unanticipated and vital costs needed to meet year end operational requirements. Non-Board of Education supplemental resources supports the following operating expenses: (1) Personnel Board — \$7,200 for an increase in board member stipends per CB-25-2020; (2)

Circuit Court - a net increase of \$600,000 for additional jury fees; (3) Office of the State's Attorney -\$549,600 for projected overages in compensation and operating expenses; (4) Police Department – a net increase of \$8,493,300 to support projected increases in overtime and holiday premium and associated fringe costs; (5) Fire/EMS Department - a net increase of \$4,888,200 for anticipated overtime expenditures and other salary requirements; (6) Office of the Sheriff - \$4,770,700 for anticipated overtime expenditures and other salary requirements; (7) Department of Health - \$1,222,800 to pay a settlement to the Maryland Department of Health as a result of an audit finding; and (8) Department of Housing and Community Development – a net increase of \$140,000 to cover a rent stabilization study, a Department of Housing and Urban Development repayment and additional transfer of \$50,000 to the Redevelopment Authority to cover insurance premiums and legal services costs; and (9) Non-Departmental - Operating Expenditures - \$11,662,300 to support \$661,200 for a legal settlement on behalf of the Department of Corrections, \$900,000 for anticipated expenditures for the public safety tower (funded from payments from Radio One) and the use of assigned fund balance for: (a) an additional \$5.9 million payment towards the County's Other Postemployment Benefit (OPEB) requirements, (b) \$3.0 million transfer to the County's Risk Management Fund, and (c) \$1,201,100 for use of public safety surcharge balance for applicable municipalities.

This legislation includes several intradepartmental reallocations between characters for the following agencies: (1) <u>Board of Elections</u> – to support salary requirements for temporary elections personnel; (2) <u>Department of Corrections</u> – to support an anticipated increase in their food services contract; and (3) <u>Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement</u> – to support additional temporary staffing for the department.

Designated Job Classification Salary Adjustments

This legislation also transfers \$1,193,300 from the Non-Departmental - Contingency to the Office of Law (\$537,700) and Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement (\$655,600) to support the applicable salary and fringe adjustments resulting from anticipated class of work studies for attorney and engineer positions respectively.

Reallocation of Video Lottery Terminal (VLT) and Rosecroft Funding

This legislation also reallocates video lottery terminal (VLT) and Rosecroft funds between various agencies and Non-Departmental – Grants and Transfers based on the revised allocation set in CR-85-2023. **Exhibit A** below illustrates the affected activities from the original VLT spending plan which were modified because of the revised plan as well as the use of Rosecroft funds to partially offset some of the changes to the original VLT spending plan.

Exhibit A

		Original	Adjustment	Revised VLT	FY 2024 Rosecroft	Combined VLT &	Required FY 2024 Operating
		Amount in VLT	per CR-85-	Spending	Funding	Rosecroft	Supplemental
Department	Impacted Activity	Spending Plan	2023	Plan	(\$1M)	Funding	Action
County Council	Community notifications	-	35,000	35,000	-	35,000	35,000
Police Department	Office of Community First	250,000	(250,000)	-	250,000	250,000	-
Prince George's Community College	Financial Empowerment Center	64,000	211,000	275,000	-	275,000	211,000
Memorial Library	Afterschool Tutoring Program	800,000	(800,000)	-	-	•	(800,000)
Subtotal, Various Agencies		1,114,000	(804,000)	310,000	250,000	560,000	(554,000)
DOE	Cameras for Illegal Dumping Program	229,000	(229,000)	-	229,000	229,000	-
	Big Belly Trash Receptacles	151,000	(151,000)	-	-	-	(151,000)
Subtotal, DOE		380,000	(380,000)	-	229,000	229,000	(151,000)
DPW&T	Litter Control	185,800	(185,800)	-	185,800	185,800	-
	Street Sweeping	243,800	(243,800)	-	191,200	191,200	(52,600)
	Roadside Mowing	6,500	(6,500)	-	-	•	(6,500)
	Landscaping	83,700	(83,700)	-	-		(83,700)
Subtotal, DPW&T		519,800	(519,800)	-	377,000	377,000	(142,800)
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Non-Departmental	Education Grants	-	1,370,950	1,370,950	-	1,370,950	1,370,950
	Community Impact Grants	1,225,000	476,850	1,701,850	-	1,701,850	476,850
	Rosecroft Funding	-	-	-	(1,000,000)	(1,000,000)	(1,000,000)
Revenue Authority (Non-Dept)	Revenue Authority - Speed Awareness Trailers	144,000	(144,000)	-	144,000	144,000	-
Subtotal, Non-Departmental		1,369,000	1,703,800	3,072,800	(856,000)	2,216,800	847,800

Reallocation within Internal Service Fund

Finally, this legislation also reallocates \$150,000 between characters to the <u>Fleet Management Internal Service Fund</u> to reflect increased costs for parts and outsourced services based on the number of vehicles needing repair. Overall, the Fiscal Year 2024 Internal Service Fund Budget (Information Technology and Fleet Management) as expressed by CB-63-2023 remains \$73,579,900.

The County Council's favorable consideration of this legislation is requested. If you have any questions, please contact my office or Stanley A. Earley, Director, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), at (301) 952-3300.

Sincerely,

Angela D. Alsobrooks County Executive

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Enclosures