PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

2018 Legislative Session

Reference No.: CR-17-2018

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Committee: TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Date: April 26, 2018

Action: FAV

REPORT: April 26, 2018

Committee Vote: Favorable, 4-0 (In favor: Council Members Turner, Toles, Lehman, and Taveras)

Staff provided a summary of the resolution and referral comments that were received. CR-17-2018 expresses support of an application being submitted by the Prince George's County Department of Public Works and Transportation to the Maryland Transit Administration (MTA) of the Maryland Department of Transportation.

The application is for FY 2019 grant funding through the Statewide Specialized Transportation Assistance Program (SSTAP), under the Federal Transit Act. The SSTAP provides annual operating and/or capital grant funds to Maryland counties and the City of Baltimore to provide transportation assistance for the elderly and persons with disabilities. The MTA requires grantees to submit a County Resolution authorizing the filing of grant applications with MTA under the Federal Transit Act.

The Department of Public Works and Transportation representative provided information in support of the resolution and answered questions from the Committee. It was explained that funds received through SSTAP play a critical role in providing services to our county residents. Grant funds of approximately \$340,600 will be utilized for the County Call-A-Bus vehicle replacement program and the County will be obligated to provide the local share of the project costs (\$37,900) within the program.

Call-A-Bus provides demand response curb-to-curb transportation service to all residents of Prince George's County, with priority given to seniors or those with disabilities, who are not served by or cannot use existing bus, rail or transit services.

The Office of Law determined that CR-17-2018 was in proper legislative form and without legal impediments to its adoption.

The Office of Audits and Investigation indicated there will be a fiscal impact related to the local share of the project costs of this program. There should not be any other adverse fiscal impact on the County as a result of adopting CR-17-2018.