PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

2019 Legislative Session

Reference No.: CR- 023-2019

A Resolution Concerning Statewide Special

Transportation Assistance program

Draft No.: 1

Committee: Transportation, Infrastructure, Energy and Environment Committee

Date: March 28, 2019

Action: Favorable

REPORT:

Committee Vote: Favorable 5-0 (In favor: Council Members Anderson-Walker, Dernoga, Glaros, Taveras and Turner)

The Transportation, Infrastructure, Energy and Environment Committee convened on March 28, 2019 to review the resolution concerning the purpose of authorizing the Director of the Prince George's County Department of Public Works and Transportation to file an application for Fiscal Year 2020 with the Maryland Transit Administration of the Maryland Department of Transportation for grant funding under the Statewide Special Transportation Assistance Program (SSTAP) and the Federal Transit Act. This program provides funding for transportation of the elderly and persons with disabilities.

An application for financial assistance under the SSTAP imposes certain obligations upon the applicant, which includes a local share of cost for certain projects and/or programs.

This is the County's 37th year submitting an application for SSTAP funding. Martin Harris, Deputy Director and Ronald Crites, Chief of Transit System Development, provided details on the expenditure of these grant funds. The grant award is estimated to be between \$332,000 - \$340,000 and, if received, will be used to purchase 4 to 5 paratransit vehicles. During the discussion the committee requested an update on the Transit Vision Plan. Mr. Harris indicated that an update will be provided when an internal review is completed.

After the discussion, the Committee voted favorably on the resolution.