

THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT Office of Audits and Investigations

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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

TO:	Robert J. Williams, Jr. Council Administrator
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RE:	Policy Analysis and Fiscal Note

CR-106-2020 (*Proposed and presented by:* The Chair of the Council at the request of the County Executive)

CR-106-2020, Supplemental Appropriation of Federal, State and Other Funds

Assigned to the Committee of the Whole

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION OF FEDERAL, STATE AND OTHER FUNDS for the purpose of appropriating funding from grants in the amount of \$6,105,099 for the non-developmental purpose of supporting businesses within the hospitality and restaurant industry.

Fiscal Summary

Direct Impact:

Expenditures: Positive related to the increase in grant revenue available for expenditure.

Revenues: Positive due to the increase in grant funding from outside sources.

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Indirect Impact:

Positive.

Current Law/Background:

Section 815 of the Charter of Prince George's County, Maryland authorizes the County Council, upon recommendation of the County Executive, to provide by Resolution additional or supplementary appropriations from Federal, State or private grants which were not included in the budget for the current fiscal year.

Discussion/Policy Analysis:

CR-106-2020 seeks to provide additional appropriations of \$6,105,099 to the Restaurant Relief Grant Funds in FY 2021 to support a new "Restaurant Relief Fund" ("Fund")grant that will be implemented by the Economic Development Corporation. The Fund will allow County to issue grants to restaurants to promote and encourage stabilization within the hospitality and restaurant industry.

The "Explanation of Adjustments" attached to CR-106-2020, provides a summary of the various proposed grant adjustments. The proposed grant funding reflects \$6,105,099 in State award allocations, increasing total program spending from \$259,904,172.64 to \$266,009,271.64. There is no County Cash component to this grant.

Fiscal Impact:

Direct Impact

Adoption of CR-106-2020 should have a positive fiscal impact on the County's FY 2021 budget by appropriating an additional \$6,105,099 in Outside Source funding to reflect actual grant program efforts related to various programs and initiatives. Funding will support for businesses within the hospitality and restaurant industry in response to the hardships of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Indirect Impact

Adoption of CR-106-2020 will allow the use of State grant funding to help stabilize the restaurant industry within the County. This will likely have a positive, stabilizing impact on employment and the broader local economy, without a reliance upon County funding.

Appropriated in the Current Fiscal Year Budget

No.

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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.