

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT Office of the County Executive

May 25, 2021

The Honorable Calvin S. Hawkins, II Chairman Prince George's County Council County Administration Building Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20772

Dear Chairman Hawkins:

Enclosed for consideration by the County Council is a second general fund supplementary appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year ("FY 2021"). This legislation provides additional appropriation authority totaling \$5,474,900 in the General Fund. The additional resources will increase the Fiscal Year 2021 General Fund Budget from \$3,771,909,300 to \$3,777,384,200 as expressed in CB-24-2020 and amended by CB-24-2021 respectively.

Primarily, as a result of the continuing (COVID-19) mitigation activities occurring in the second half of this fiscal year and other unanticipated expenses, additional appropriated use of fund balance is required. The use of fund balance increases by \$5,474,900.

Specifically, the legislation appropriates additional resources to several County agencies to cover unanticipated and vital costs needed to meet year end operational requirements. The supplemental resources support the following operating expenses: (1) additional personnel expenses in the offices of the County Executive, Ethics and Accountability, Finance and Central Services along with the Board of License Commissioners; (2) overtime costs due to COVID-19 related activity in the Office of Homeland Security; (3) additional COVID-19 related invoices for the Office of Central Services; (4) COVID-19 hotel expenses to shelter the homeless in the Department of Social Services; (5) higher-than-anticipated expenses for document scanning, third-party site review, lot cleaning services and short term rental compliance activity in the Department of Housing and Community Development primarily related to an unpaid FY 2020 invoice and the payment of a HUD noncompliance fee. Additionally, the legislation includes a reallocation within the Office of Human Resources Management to reflect the transfer of contracted public safety investigators from compensation to operating expenses.

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, at (301) 952-3300.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures