

CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

FISCAL IMPACT NOTE

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION

SPONSOR: Council President Bowlsbey at the request of the County Executive

RESOLUTION NO. 32-2017 – BUDGET AMENDMENT – LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT - DEVELOPMENT PLANS REVIEW DIVISION

SYNOPSIS: A Resolution to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018 in order to transfer \$353,320 from the Development Services Division of the Department of Public Works to the new Development Plans Review Division of the Department of Land Use and Development Services to accommodate the merger of planning and plans review into one department

FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY: Net fiscal impact to the County will be zero for Fiscal 2018. The creation of a budget within the Plans Review Division of the newly formed Land Use and Development will be accommodated through a transfer of funds from the Department of Public Works Development Services Division.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

During the FY2018 budget creation process, the newly elected County Executive made the decision to combine the Planning, Permits and Plans Review section of Public Works into the Land Use and Development Services Department. The effort brings all employees that administer this function together and allow for one-stop capabilities to permitting in hopes of attracting new Economic Development in Cecil County. This reorganization effort is to result in greater efficiencies and effectiveness within the internal workforce required and the service that is provided to the building community.

The final decisions that were made to actual personnel and the associated operating expenses for those specific functions were not made until after the budget was in its final stages of preparation could not be part of the FY2018 budget. The amendment transfer budget to the correct department based on management's decision to combine processes.