COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND LEGISLATIVE SESSION DAY 2017-20

BILL NO. 2017-19

Title of Bill: Budget Transfer - Wastewater Capital Project Budget - I&I Meadowview, Cherry Hill, Highlands Project

Synopsis: A Bill to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018 to transfer existing bond appropriation authority within the Wastewater Capital Projects Budget in the amount of \$386,000 from completed Wastewater Capital Projects including the Repair Carpenters Point Sewer Trenches (\$102,736) and the Construct Highland Interceptor Sewer Project (\$283,264); to the Inflow and Infiltration Projects(I&I) Meadowview, Cherry Hill, Highlands Project.

Introduced by: Council President on behalf of County Executive

Introduced, read first time and ordered posted on: October 17, 2017

Public hearing scheduled: November 21, 2017 at: 7:00 p.m.

Scheduled for Consideration: December 5, 2017

Public Hearing

Notice of time and place of public hearing and title of Bill have been posted by <u>October 17, 2017</u> at the County Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Elkton and having been published according to the Charter on <u>November 8, 2017 and November 15, 2017</u>, a public hearing was held on <u>November 21, 2017</u>, and concluded on <u>November 21, 2017</u>.

By: Janus Massey

By: James Massey
Council Manager

Explanation: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING BILL.

{Brackets} indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates language added to Bill by amendment.

Strike through indicates language stricken out of Bill by amendment.

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WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 505 of the Cecil County Charter, on April 1, 2017, the County Executive submitted a proposed budget to the County Council for Fiscal Year 2018; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 506 of the Cecil County Charter, the Cecil County Council held public hearings on the proposed budget submitted by the County Executive for Fiscal Year 2018; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 507(b) of the Cecil County Charter, on June 15, 2017, the Budget for Cecil County was adopted for Fiscal Year 2018; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive is revising the Fiscal Year 2018 Wastewater Capital Projects Budget to transfer the unencumbered bond revenue and expense for Cecil County, Maryland, remaining from the following completed and closed Wastewater Capital Projects:

- a) To transfer \$102,736 from the completed Repair Carpenters Point Sewer Trenches project. (55060). The project is complete and the remaining funds are a result of bids received being lower than the engineer's estimate;
- b) To transfer \$283,264 from the Construct Highlands Interceptor Sewer project (55052). The project savings was the result of the contractor completing the project four months ahead of schedule, thus alleviating the County from paying four additional months of inspection. The contract also included contingent items that were ultimately not needed;

WHEREAS, such appropriation of unencumbered bond revenue and expense totaling \$386,000 is requested to be transferred to the following project:

a) Transfer \$386,000 to the Inflow and Infiltration (I&I) Meadowview, Cherry Hill, Highlands project (55062). The transfer is needed to address repairs within the Meadowview sewer system. Through televised inspection of the lines there are many priority one structural deficiencies that need urgent attention such as replacement of cracked and offset manhole frames and covers and repairs for cracks in the lines. The department has gone through three solicitations/procurements in the past two years to try and hire an experienced contractor to do the work and has been unsuccessful. The work that needs to be done as well as the cost has continued to increase.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY,

MARYLAND, that the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for Fiscal

Year 2017 is amended for the supplemental appropriation and by amending the Budget to appropriate the

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Budget Transfer - Wastewater Capital projects - I&I Meadowview, Cherry Hill, Highland Project transfer of bond appropriations within the Wastewater Capital Projects Fund of \$386,000 from various capital projects; the Repair Carpenters Point Sewer Trenches \$102,736 and the Construct Highland Interceptor Sewer \$283,264, to the Inflow and Infiltration (I&I) Meadowview, Cherry Hill, Highlands Project.

AND, BE IT FURTHER ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND, that this Bill shall take effect 60 calendar days from the date it becomes law.

CERTIFICATION

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I, HEREBY CERTIFY that the above Bill was posted for the public on the public bulletin board with the date, time and location of the public hearing meeting, copies were made available for the public, a copy was distributed to the press, and copy was made available on the Cecil County website.

Council Manager

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BY: James Massey

Council Manager



CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

FISCAL IMPACT NOTE

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION

SPONSOR: Council President at the request of the County Executive

BILL NO. 2017-19 – BUDGET AMENDMENT – WASTEWATER CAPITAL BUDGET – TRANSFER UNSPENT BOND FUNDS FROM COMPLETED PROJECTS.

SYNOPSIS: A bill to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018 to transfer existing bond appropriation authority within the Wastewater Capital Projects Budget in the amount of \$386,000 from completed Wastewater Capital Projects (Repair Carpenters Point Sewer Trenches \$102,736 & Construct Highlands Interceptor Sewer \$283,264) to the Inflow &Infiltration (I&I) Meadowview, Cherry Hill, Highlands Project.

FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY: The approval of this bill will have no net financial effect on the Capital Improvement Program of Cecil County. The bill transfers existing bond appropriation authority and decreases the size of certain completed capital projects to their final costs and requests that the unused bond funds be transferred to the Inflow & Infiltration Meadowview, Cherry Hill, Highlands Project.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

Two projects within the Wastewater Capital Improvement Program were completed under budget.

- Repair Carpenter's Point Sewer Trenches: Savings were due to bids lower than engineer's estimate.
- 2. Construct Highlands Interceptor Sewer: Savings were realized due to lower bids than the engineer's estimate. Once the project was bid, a portion of the work was completed ahead of schedule and the County has able to recognize inspection savings due to the shortened project time line. Additional savings were realized due to budgeted contingent items not being necessary to complete the project.

The bond funds borrowed by an Enterprise fund must be utilized by the Enterprise Fund. The funds remaining on the projects mentioned above are bond funds and were borrowed in a previous bond issue. The Department of Public Works contends that the priority one work that needs attention within the Meadowview Sanitary Sewer System is the project that should receive and ultimately spend the bonds. It has been difficult for the department to find a contractor with the expertise to do the work. The current solicitation has been successful and the needs at Meadowview are greater than the current budget. It is advantageous for the County to increase the budget for the Inflow and Infiltration Meadowview, Cherry Hill, Highlands project to complete the most serve structural deficiencies that were found during inspection of the system.

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