

CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

FISCAL IMPACT NOTE

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION

SPONSOR: Council President at the request of the County Executive

BILL NO. 2018-20 – BUDGET AMENDMENT –FACILITIES MANAGEMENT CAPITAL BUDGET – ADDITIONAL BOND AUTHORITY –COURTHOUSE RENOVATION PROJECT.

SYNOPSIS: A bill to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019 to add bond appropriation authority within the Facilities Management Capital Projects Budget in the amount of \$50,000 to complete the Courthouse Holding Cell Renovation Project.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY</u>: The approval of this bill will add to the total amount of Public Improvement Bonds to be borrowed to cover the Capital Improvement Program needs for fiscal year 2019. However, the additional costs incurred will not be recognized until FY2020 as the County only borrows bond funds every two years. The total bonds needed for FY2019 will increase to \$18,253,000. The addition of principal will add approximately \$18,000 in interest over the 20 year life of the borrowing.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

The FY2019 Facilities Management Capital Budget received additional funds to complete the Courthouse Holding Cell Renovation project. The project consists of completely renovating the existing Circuit Court holding cell, bailiff office and prisoner transport driver area to create: three group male holding cells, two group women holding cells, a separate men's and women's monitoring waiting area, two secure/confidential attorney/client meeting rooms and a new bailiff office.

The project is currently under construction. During demolition of the space, asbestos was found to be present within the project limits. Although this was a known possibility, the severity was not known until the actual demolition of the space. The project had to pay for the remediation of the asbestos. It was also determined that lead paint was used on the old walls and had to be remediated as well. The project needs the additional funding for to pay for the severity of the adverse site conditions that could not be ignored during the construction of the project.