

## CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

## **FISCAL NOTE**

## **SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION**

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

RESOLUTION NO. 41-2019 Supplemental Appropriation – Wastewater – MDTA – Chesapeake House Screening Facility

**SYNOPSIS:** A resolution to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 in order to provide the Wastewater Fund – MDTA Services- Department budget, additional revenue and expenditure appropriation authority in the amount of \$55,000. The amendment supports the operation and maintenance of the Chesapeake House Screening Facility by the Cecil County Wastewater Division.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY</u>: Net fiscal impact to the County will be zero for Fiscal 2020. The County will bill services rendered to the Maryland Transportation Authority for the operations and maintenance of the Chesapeake House Screening Facility.

## **FISCAL ANALYSIS:**

Cecil County Government (CCG) has been operating and maintaining the MDTA owned screening facility since the machine went on line in May of 2017. In the original agreement between CCG and MDTA, the screening facility and land it occupies was to be transferred in fee simple to CCG and become part of our sewerage collection system. A concern over MDTA highway easements prohibited that property transfer.

As a result, MDTA expressed and has entered into an agreement with CCG to continue operation and maintenance of the referenced facility. The agreement reached outlines the tasks to be performed by County staff. Hiring an outside O&M was not feasible as the waste from the Chesapeake House is treated at CCG owned treatment facilities.

MDTA will be billed quarterly as per the agreement a base fee of \$2,065.49 per month. Any other costs will be on as needed basis and included on the quarterly bill. Emergency repairs will be billed at the hourly rate, time and a half for afterhours work.