

COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND  
LEGISLATIVE SESSION 2019-24

BILL NO. 2019-22

**Title of Bill:** Supplemental Appropriation – Fund Balance – Roads and Bridges Capital Budget – Bethel Church Road Project

**Synopsis** A Bill to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 to appropriate expenditure authority within the Roads and Bridges Capital Projects Budget in the amount of \$200,000 from the General Fund – Assignment of Fund Balance for Bethel Church Road Project.

**Introduced by:** Council President at the request of the County Executive

**Introduced and order posted on:** December 17, 2019

**Public hearing scheduled on:** January 21, 2020 at 7:00pm

**Consideration scheduled on:** February 4, 2020

By: James Massey  
Council Manager

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice of time and place of public hearing and title of Bill having been posted by December 17, 2019 at the County Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Elkton, and having been published according to the Charter on January 8, 2020 and January 15, 2020, a public hearing was held on January 21, 2020 and concluded on January 21, 2020.

By: James Massey  
Council Manager

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**Supplemental Appropriation – Fund Balance – Roads and Bridges Capital Budget-  
Bethel Church Road Project**

1           **WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 506 of the Cecil County Charter, the County Council held  
2 public hearings on the proposed budget submitted by the County Executive for Fiscal Year 2020; and

3           **WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 507(b) of the Cecil County Charter, on June 4, 2019, the  
4 Budget for Cecil County was approved for Fiscal Year 2020; and

5           **WHEREAS**, the County Executive is revising the Fiscal Year 2020 revenue estimate within the Roads  
6 and Bridges Capital Projects Fund by \$200,000 to allow the following appropriation within the Capital  
7 Projects Fund: the addition of \$200,000 in expenditures to complete the bridge rehabilitation project on  
8 Bethel Church Road. During construction the bridge beams were found to be covered in lead paint, which  
9 then legally obligated the County to remediate the lead. The cost of the lead remediation was above the  
10 contingency reserve for the project; and

11           **WHEREAS**, such appropriation is necessary to provide \$200,000 of the FY2019 assigned fund  
12 balance of the General Fund for expenditures on Bethel Church Road to be transferred to the Capital  
13 Projects Fund; and

14           **WHEREAS**, Section 506 of the Charter of Cecil County requires that no final budget action may be  
15 taken by the County Council until after public hearing or hearings have been held in open public session.

16           **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY,**  
17 **MARYLAND**, that the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for Fiscal  
18 Year 2020 is hereby amended for the supplemental appropriation, and by amending the Budget to  
19 appropriate expenditure authority within the Roads and Bridges Capital Projects Budget in the amount of  
20 \$200,000 from the General Fund – Assignment of Fund Balance for the Bethel Church Road Project.

21           **AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND**, that  
22 this legislation shall take effect sixty calendar days from the date that it becomes law.

**CERTIFICATION**

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.

  
BY Council Manager

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is hereby submitted to the County Council of Cecil County, Maryland for enrollment as being the text as finally passed.

**CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT**

**ENROLLED**

James Massey  
Council Manager

[Signature]  
Council President

Date: February 4, 2020

Date: February 4, 2020

**BY THE COUNCIL**

Read the third time.

**Passed – LSD 2020-03**

**Failed of Passage – LSD \_\_\_\_\_**

BY: James Massey  
Council Manager

**SEALED WITH THE COUNTY SEAL AND PRESENTED TO THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE for approval this**

5<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2020 at 1:00 am/pm.  
(within 10 business days from adoption §306)



BY: James Massey  
Council Manager

BY THE EXECUTIVE:  
[Signature]  
Cecil County Executive

**APPROVED Date:** February 7, 2020

**VETOED Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(within 10 business days from presentation §306)

**BY THE COUNCIL**

**Bill No. 2019-22** having been approved by the Executive and returned to the Council becomes law

on February 7, 2020 with an effective date of April 7, 2020

BY: James Massey  
Council Manager



# CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

## FISCAL NOTE

### SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION

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

### **BILL NO. 2019-22 – USE OF ASSIGNED FUND BALANCE TO FUND REHAB BETHEL CHURCH ROAD BRIDGE**

**SYNOPSIS:** A bill to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 to appropriate expenditure authority within the Roads & Bridges Capital Projects Budget in the amount of \$200,000 from the General Fund – Assignment of Fund Balance.

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**FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY:** The approval of this bill will have a net fiscal impact on the Cecil County of \$200,000, by expending the FY2019 assigned fund balance designated by the County Executive to provide additional funding for the Roads & Bridges Capital Projects Fund for the rehabilitation of Bethel Church Road Bridge Project.

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### FISCAL ANALYSIS:

The FY2020 Roads & Bridge Capital Improvement Program supports the rehabilitation of the bridge located on Bethel Church Road. The scope approved in the FY2020 Capital Improvement Program reads as follows:

*This is a single span steel beam bridge constructed in 1968, has an overall length of 60 feet, and clear roadway width of approximately 27 feet. The bridge is currently not load posted and carries 889 vehicles per day. The concrete bridge deck has had extensive repairs over the years and the underlying original concrete deck is showing advanced deterioration resulting in several closures for concrete deck repairs. The project will replace the concrete deck and make it an integral (composite) with the steel beams, replace the substandard concrete and steel bridge railings, and upgrade the approach w-beam and end treatments, and includes miscellaneous steel repairs.*

Council approved transfer of additional funds to the project to create sufficient budget to enable completion prior to the winter months and before the closing of the asphalt plants. However, when the deck was removed from the beams, lead paint was detected on the beams. Once it was discovered, by law the County had to remediate the lead. The project's contingency was insufficient to cover the cost of lead remediation. An assignment was approved by the County Executive to complete the project.