

COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND
LEGISLATIVE SESSION 2020-18

BILL NO. 2020-10

Title of Bill: Supplemental Appropriation and Budget Transfer – Roads and Bridges Capital Projects – Mechanics Valley Road over CSX Bridge Project

Synopsis: A Bill to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021 to transfer existing bond appropriation authority within the Roads and Bridges Capital Projects Budget from the completed Belvidere Road Culvert Project (\$32,505.11), the completed Painting of County Bridges Project (\$57,868.00) and remaining VLT casino funds leftover from various completed roads and bridges projects (\$34,626.89) to the Mechanics Valley Road over CSX Bridge Project (\$125,000).

Introduced by: Council President at the request of the Executive

Introduced and order posted on: August 18, 2020

Public hearing scheduled on: September 15, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Consideration scheduled on: October 6, 2020

By: 
Council Manager

PUBLIC HEARING

Notice of time and place of public hearing and title of Bill having been posted by August 18, 2020 at the County Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Elkton, and having been published according to the Charter on September 2, 2020 and September 9, 2020, a public hearing was held on September 15, 2020 and concluded on September 15, 2020.

By: 
Council Manager

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**Supplemental Appropriation and Budget Transfer – Roads and Bridges Capital Projects –
Mechanics Valley Road over CSX Bridge Project**

1 **WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 505 of the Cecil County Charter, on April 1, 2020, the
2 County Executive submitted a proposed budget to the County Council for Fiscal Year 2021; and

3 **WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 506 of the Cecil County Charter, the County Council held
4 public hearings on the proposed budget submitted by the County Executive for Fiscal Year 2021; and

5 **WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 507(b) of the Cecil County Charter, on May 19, 2020, the
6 Budget for Cecil County was approved for Fiscal Year 2021; and

7 **WHEREAS**, the County Executive is revising the Fiscal Year 2021 Roads and Bridges Capital Projects
8 Budget to transfer the unencumbered bond revenue and expense for Cecil County, Maryland from the
9 following Roads and Bridges Capital Projects:

10 a) To transfer \$32,505.11 from the Belvidere Road Culvert Project as the project is complete and
11 under budget; and

12 b) To transfer \$57,868.00 from the Painting of County Bridge Project as the painting project is
13 complete and under budget; and

14 **WHEREAS**, the County Executive is revising the Fiscal Year 2021 Roads and Bridges Capital Projects
15 Budget to transfer the unencumbered VLT casino revenue and expense for Cecil County, Maryland from
16 the following Roads and Bridges Capital Program:

17 c) To transfer \$34,626.89 from completed Roads and Bridges projects that had leftover VLT
18 casino funds remaining on the projects; and

19 **WHEREAS**, such appropriation of unencumbered bond revenue and expense totaling \$125,000 is
20 requested to be transferred to the following project:

21 a) Replacement of Bridge CE0042 Mechanics Valley Road over CSX is in final design and was
22 seeking additional funding in FY2021 to take the project to construction. The FY2021 Capital
23 Improvement Program as amended did not fund the entire request to fund the construction
24 budget, due to the desire to limit the issuance of new debt. To fund the remaining portion of
25 the request, unused funds from closed projects was identified to bring the project to the
26 required amount to construct the project.

27 **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY,**
28 **MARYLAND**, that the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for Fiscal
29 Year 2021 is hereby amended for the supplemental appropriation and by amending the Budget to transfer

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30 existing bond appropriation authority within the Roads and Bridges Capital Projects Budget from the
31 completed Belvidere Road Culvert Project (\$32,505.11), from the completed Painting of County Bridges
32 Project (\$57,868.00), and from the remaining VLT casino funds leftover from various completed roads and
33 bridges projects (\$34,626.89); to the Mechanics Valley Road over CSX Bridge Project (\$125,000).

34 **AND IT IS FURTHER ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND**, that this
35 Bill shall take effect 60 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: October 6, 2020

Date: October 6, 2020

BY THE COUNCIL

Read the third time.

Passed – LSD 2020-21

Failed of Passage – LSD _____

BY: James Massey
Council Manager

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

9th day of October, 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: 10/13/2020

VETOED Date: _____
(within 10 business days from presentation §306)

BY THE COUNCIL

Bill No. 2020-10 having been approved by the Executive and returned to the Council becomes law

on October 13, 2020 with an effective date of December 14, 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. 2020-10 – TRANSFER FUNDS FROM COMPLETED PROJECTS TO MECHANICS VALLEY ROAD OVER CSX

SYNOPSIS: A bill to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021 to transfer existing bond appropriation authority within the Roads & Bridges Capital Projects Budget from the completed Belvidere Road Culvert Project (\$32,505.11), the completed Painting of County Bridges Project (\$57,868.00) and remaining VLT casino funds leftover from various completed roads and bridges projects (\$34,626.89) to the Mechanics Valley Road over CSX Bridge Project (\$125,000).

FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY: The approval of this bill will have a no fiscal impact due to the funds needed by the Mechanics Valley Road over CSX Bridge Project are funds that have already been borrowed or allocated to the Roads and Bridges Capital Improvement Program due to completed project savings.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

During the FY2021 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) development, the Department of Public Works (DPW) requested \$625,000 as the final budget amount needed to complete the replacement of Mechanics Valley Road Bridge over CSX (CE0042). The Approved CIP as amended only allotted \$500,000 towards the project request, because the funding approved for the project was bond funding held to bonds that were transferred from completed projects. The County's goal was to reduce the amount of debt to be incurred in FY2021 due to reduced revenues as a result of the pandemic.

The engineer's estimate for the project requires the additional \$125,000 at this time to complete the project. DPW was informed the additional funds would be added to the project if there were additional savings on other completed projects. The County is currently not in a position to add to the current debt burden until revenues are projected to return to levels that can support additional debt. Two projects, Belvidere Culvert and the bridge painting project were identified as completed after the CIP document was put together.