

COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND
LEGISLATIVE SESSION DAY 2021-02

RESOLUTION NO. 13-2021

Title of Resolution: Supplemental Appropriation – Fund Balance -Volunteer Fire Services – Vehicle Replacement Program

Synopsis: A Resolution to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, in order to provide the Volunteer Fire Service Department's budget within the General Fund expenditure appropriation authority to authorize \$250,000 to be expended for the County's match portion towards the Vehicle Replacement Program.

Introduced by: Council President on behalf of the County Executive

Introduced and ordered posted on: January 19, 2021

Scheduled for consideration on: February 2, 2021

By:  _____
Council Manager

Notice and title of Resolution having been posted by January 19, 2021 at the County Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Elkton and consideration by the Council having been scheduled on February 2, 2021.

By:  _____
Council Manager

Explanation: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING ORDINANCE.
{Brackets} indicate matter deleted from existing Ordinance.
Underlining indicates language added by amendment.
~~Strike through~~ indicates language stricken out by amendment.

Supplemental Appropriation – Fund Balance - Volunteer Fire Services – Vehicle Replacement Program

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 adopted for Fiscal Year 2021; and

7 **WHEREAS**, the County Executive is revising the Fiscal Year 2021 revenue estimate for Cecil County
8 to increase use of the Assigned Fund Balance for Volunteer Fire Company Vehicle Replacement by
9 \$250,000, to allow the following appropriation within the General Fund: the addition of \$250,000 in
10 expenditures for the Volunteer Fire Service Vehicle Replacement Program. The FY2021 Approved Budget
11 for the replacement program was funded in the amount of \$575,000. There were additional equipment
12 replacement requests submitted for FY2021 that were not funded, but in need of replacement. The
13 County Executive decided to assign fund balance when the FY2020 financials were completed and funds
14 were available to partially fund the FY2021 request; and


15 **WHEREAS**, such appropriation is necessary to provide \$250,000 of the County Executive’s FY2020
16 assigned fund balance for the General Fund for expenditures.

17 **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY,**
18 **MARYLAND**, that the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland, for Fiscal
19 Year 2021 is hereby amended for the supplemental appropriation; and by amending the Current Budget
20 to appropriate \$250,000 of additional expenditures in the General Fund to the Volunteer Fire Service
21 Department’s budget.

22 **AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND,**
23 that this Resolution shall take effect on the date of its passage.

INTRODUCED: January 19, 2021

ADOPTED: February 2, 2021



President of the Council

ATTEST:


Council Manager



**CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE**

FISCAL NOTE

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION

SPONSOR: Council President at the request of the County Executive

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FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY: The approval of this bill will have a net fiscal impact on the Cecil County of \$250,000, by expending the FY2020 assigned fund balance designated by the County Executive to provide additional funding for the Volunteer Fire Company Vehicle Replacement Program.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

It is within the power of the County Executive to determine if funds need to be set aside to benefit and/or safeguard the County against the risk of large unbudgeted expenditures. The constraints of the FY2021 Budget did not allow the County to fund the entire equipment request for new fire company vehicles (see below - total FY2021 request). The completion of the FY2020 financials proved to have sufficient funds available to appropriate additional budget to the VFC’s in order to fund two additional ambulances. The funds will remain assigned until expended.

Although the County Executive has the power to assign fund balance, the Council, per Charter, must approve changes to the approved budget.

FY2021 Volunteer Fire Company – Vehicle Replacement Request

GL Account	GL Account Description	2019 Actual	2020 Original Budget	2021 Appr. Budget	Dollar Increase or Decrease	Percent Change
00135100 507900 VFIRE	MISCELLANEOUS		450,000	575,000	125,000	27.8%
	VEHICLE REPLACE PRGM -RISING SUN VFC AMBULANCE			125,000		
	VEHICLE REPLACE PRGM - PERRYVILLE VFC AMBULANCE			125,000		
	VEHICLE REPLACE PRGM - SINGERLY VFC ENGINE			325,000		
	VEHICLE REPLACE PRGM -RISING SUN VFC AMBULANCE			125,000		
	VEHICLE REPLACE PRGM - CHARLESTOWN VFC AMBULANCE			125,000		
	VEHICLE REPLACE PRGM - NORTH EAST VFC AMBULANCE			125,000		
	VEHICLE REPLACE PRGM - SINGERLY VFC AMBULANCE			125,000		
	REDUCTION PER CE			(500,000)		