## COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND LEGISLATIVE SESSION DAY 2021-21

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 57-2021**

**Title of Resolution:** Supplemental Appropriation – Fund Balance – Volunteer Fire Service – 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, 2022, to provide the Volunteer Fire Service Department's budget within the General Fund, expenditure appropriation authority to authorize \$575,000 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: November 2, 2021

Scheduled for consideration on: November 16, 2021

By: James Massey
Council Manager

Notice and title of Resolution having been posted on <u>November 2, 2021</u> at the County Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Elkton and consideration by the Council having been scheduled on <u>November 16, 2021</u>.

By: James Massey
Council Manager

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Supplemental Appropriation – Fund Balance – Volunteer Fire Service – Vehicle Replacement Program

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 505 of the Cecil County Charter, on April 1, 2021, the County Executive submitted a proposed budget to the County Council for Fiscal Year 2022; and WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 506 of the Cecil County Charter, the County Council held public hearings on the proposed budget submitted by the County Executive for Fiscal Year 2022; and WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 507(b) of the Cecil County Charter, on June 1, 2021, the Budget for Cecil County was adopted for Fiscal Year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive is revising the Fiscal Year 2022 revenue estimate for Cecil County to increase use of the Assigned Fund Balance for Volunteer Fire Company Vehicle Replacement by \$575,000 to allow the following appropriation within the General Fund: the addition of \$575,000 in expenditures for the Volunteer Fire Service Vehicle Replacement Program. The FY2021 Approved Budget for the replacement program was funded in the amount of \$575,000 to purchase the following: an ambulance for Rising Sun Volunteer Fire Company, an ambulance for Perryville Volunteer Fire Company and an engine for Singerly Fire Company. The approved vehicles were ordered in FY2021 but were not expected to be received by the end of the fiscal year. The County Executive has assigned fund balance to carry forward the funds to pay for the equipment once received; and

**WHEREAS**, such appropriation is necessary to provide \$575,000 of the County Executive's FY2021 assigned fund balance for the General Fund for expenditures.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland, for Fiscal Year 2022, is hereby amended for the supplemental appropriation, and by amending the Current Budget, to appropriate \$575,000 of additional expenditures in the General Fund, to the Volunteer Fire Service Department's budget.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect on the date of its passage by the County Council of Cecil County, Maryland.

**INTRODUCED: November 2, 2021** 

ADOPTED: November 16, 2021

President of the Council

Janus Wassey Pouncil Manager



# CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

#### **FISCAL NOTE**

### **SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION**

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

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<u>FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY</u>: The approval of this bill will have a net fiscal impact on Cecil County of \$575,000, by expending the FY2021 assigned fund balance designated by the County Executive to provide carry-over 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 FY2021 Budget approved three new pieces of apparatus for the volunteer fire companies but none of them were received by June 30, 2021. The County Executive has agreed to allow additional time for the vehicles to be received and assigning the funds and requesting Council to approve the expenditure ensures the match will be available. 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	2	020 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)		