

COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND
LEGISLATIVE SESSION DAY 2022-06

RESOLUTION NO. 13-2022

Title of Resolution: Supplemental Appropriation – Grant Funds – Parks and Recreation – Pickle Ball Court and Sensory Playground

Synopsis: A Resolution to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, in order to provide a total of \$400,000 to the Special Revenue Other Grants Fund- Parks and Recreation to record the grant awarded from the Maryland Department of Natural Resources, to be used to improve the quality of parks and recreation in Cecil County by constructing a pickle ball court at the Cecil Arena (\$160,000) and a sensory playground at Calvert Regional Park (\$240,000).

Introduced by: Council President on behalf of the County Executive

Introduced and ordered posted on: March 15, 2022

Scheduled for consideration on: April 5, 2022

By: James Massey
Council Manager

Notice and title of Resolution having been posted by March 15, 2022 at the County Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Elkton and consideration by the Council having been scheduled on April 5, 2022.

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Supplemental Appropriation – Grant Funds – Parks and Recreation – Pickle Ball Court and Sensory Playground

1 **WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 505 of the Cecil County Charter, on April 1, 2021, the

2 County Executive submitted a proposed budget to the County Council for Fiscal Year 2022; 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 2022; and

5 **WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 507(b) of the Cecil County Charter, on June 1, 2021, the

6 Budget for Cecil County was adopted for Fiscal Year 2022; and

7 **WHEREAS**, the County Executive is revising the Fiscal Year 2022 Special Revenue Other Grants

8 Fund – Parks and Recreation revenue estimate for Cecil County in order to establish the following

9 amount: the addition of \$400,000 in grant revenue and expense to the Special Revenue Other Grants

10 Fund – Parks and Recreation budget to provide for the grant award from the Department of Natural

11 Resources; and

12 **WHEREAS**, such appropriation is necessary to provide \$400,000 in grant funding to construct a

13 pickle ball court at the Cecil Arena and a sensory playground at Calvert Regional Park.

14 **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY,**

15 **MARYLAND**, that the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for Fiscal

16 Year ending June 30, 2022 is hereby amended for the supplemental appropriation; and by amending the

17 Current Budget, to appropriate \$400,000 in additional expenditures in the Special Revenue Other Grants

18 Fund – Parks and Recreation; to record the grant awarded from the Maryland Department of Natural

19 Resources for the purpose of improving the quality of Cecil County parks and recreation for the citizens of

20 Cecil County.

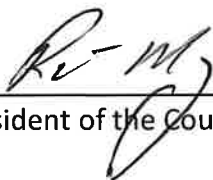
21 **AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND**, that

22 this Resolution shall take effect on the date of its passage by the County Council of Cecil County,

23 Maryland.

INTRODUCED: March 15, 2022

ADOPTED: April 5, 2022



President of the Council

ATTEST:



Council Manager



CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

FISCAL IMPACT NOTE

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION

SPONSOR: Council President at the request of the County Executive

Resolution No. 13-2022 Supplemental Appropriation – Grant Funds – Parks and Recreation – Pickle Ball Court and Sensory Playground

SYNOPSIS: A Resolution to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, in order to provide a total of \$400,000 to the Special Revenue Other Grants Fund- Parks and Recreation, to record the grant awarded from the Maryland Department of Natural Resources, to be used to improve the quality of parks and recreation in Cecil County by constructing a pickle ball court at the Cecil Arena (\$160,000) and a sensory playground at Calvert Regional Park (\$240,000).

FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY: Net fiscal impact to the County will be zero for Fiscal 2022. The grant award is providing all funding to construct the pickle ball court and the sensory playground.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

The FY2022 capital budget (HB 590) includes \$85 million in general obligation bond funding for Local Parks and Playgrounds Infrastructure to be administered by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources. Cecil County was awarded \$1,500,000.

House Bill 590 of 2021 states that the capital budget authorization is for grants to the county administrative units managing local parks to design, construct and capital equip indoor and outdoor park infrastructure and other capital-eligible projects that enhance recreational amenities, including but not limited to trails, playgrounds, and recreational facilities. The County has decided to use \$400,000 of the grant to do the following improvements:

Cecil Arena Pickle Ball Court (\$160,000)

Cecil County is experiencing growth in its Pickle Ball population. As one of the County's busiest parks, the Cecil Arena currently affords public use of 4 tennis courts, 2 baseball fields, walking trail, playground, and fishing pond. The addition of four Pickle Ball Courts would be a great addition to this facility and assist the County in meeting public demand. The courts would serve league and public use.

Sensory Playground Calvert Regional Park (\$240,000)

As the County's first Regional Park, Calvert experiences approximately 95,000 visits a year. Amenities include a disc golf course, walking trails, basketball courts, playgrounds, pavilions, and multipurpose athletic fields. Currently, county playgrounds do not contain any sensory play structures. This project would develop an inclusionary atmosphere in the county's most notable park.