



## CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

### FISCAL NOTE

#### SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION

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

#### **BILL NO. 2016-02 -- TRANSFER BOND FUNDING – GENERAL FUND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM – ROADS AND BRIDGES – BARON ROAD BRIDGE TO WAIBEL ROAD BRIDGE AND ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS**

**SYNOPSIS:** A bill to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016 in order to transfer \$250,000 of existing bond budget authority within the Roads and Bridges Capital Improvement Program budget from the completed Replacement of Baron Road Bridge over CSX Project to the Replacement of Waibel Road Bridge and Road Improvement Projects.

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**FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY:** The direct net fiscal impact to the County is zero, as the funding proposed to be transferred is general obligation debt bond funding, which was previously issued in May of 2014. The debt service is already accounted for in the general fund, and this bill is a reallocation of available unencumbered bond budget authority.

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#### FISCAL ANALYSIS:

The FY 2016 Approved Capital Improvement Program included funding for the projects known as “Replacement of Bridge CE-0043 Waibel Road Bridge over Basin Run” and for “Road Improvements at Waibel Road from Firetower Road to Dr. Jack Road. The Waibel Road Bridge project includes replacement of a two span continuous cast-in-place bridge, 24’ long with a clear roadway of 29’7”. The structure is currently closed to traffic and has been removed. It was bid with the Road Improvements project for estimated economies of scale. The road improvements project intends to adjust the alignment and profile to improve sight distances and upgrade the road and drainage infrastructure, as well as mitigate a traffic safety issue at the Woodlawn Transfer Station.

The Replacement of the Waibel Road Bridge and the Road Improvement project were advertised and bid as one combined project under Bid No. 16-22-52030/52664 and bids were opened on January 21, 2016. Subsequent to the bid opening, it has been determined that an additional appropriation of \$250,000 is necessary to provide sufficient funding for the award of construction for both projects based on the lowest bid received and to adequately provide funding for the originally budgeted 10%

contingency and construction inspection services in order to see both projects through to completion. It has been determined that there are unencumbered funds available on the Replacement of Bridge CE-0097 Baron Road over CSX in the amount of \$250,000 that if transferred, would allow the County to move forward with bid award and construction of the aforementioned projects. The Baron Road over CSX project is deemed to be completed and requires no further funding.