

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND  
LEGISLATIVE SESSION DAY 2024 - 16**

**BILL NO. 2024-23**

**Title of Bill:** Supplemental Appropriation - Amendment to the Fiscal Year 2025 – Fiscal Year 2029 Capital Improvement Program – ARPA Funding

Project Number 55041 - Holloway Beach Sewer Project  
Project Number 50051 - Paramedic Station 2 Project  
Project Number 50052 - Paramedic Station 4 Project  
Project Number 51030 - Public Safety Training Center Project  
Project Number 52594 - Oldfield Point Road Project  
Project Number 55064 - Elkton West Sanitary Sewer Project

**Synopsis:** A Bill to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriations Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, to provide supplemental expenditure authority for Project Number 51030 - Public Safety Training Center project, in the amount of \$2,100,000; for Project Number 50051 - Paramedic Station 2 project, in the amount of \$300,000; and for Project Number 50052 - Paramedic Station 4 project, in the amount of \$300,000, totaling \$2,700,000; by transferring American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding from Project Number 55041, Holloway Beach Sewer project, in the corresponding amount of \$2,700,000; while concurrently transferring \$1,700,000 in County bond funding from Project Number 52594 - Oldfield Point Road and \$1,000,000 in County bond funding from the Project Number 55064 - Elkton West Sanitary Sewer project totaling \$2,700,000 to the Holloway Beach Sewer project to replace the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding.

**Introduced by:** Council President at the request of the County Executive

**Introduced and ordered posted on:** September 3, 2024

**Public hearing scheduled on:** October 1, 2024 at 7:00 pm

**Consideration scheduled on:** October 15, 2024

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Council Manager

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice of time and place of public hearing and title of Bill having been posted by September 3, 2024 at the County Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Elkton and having been published according to the Charter on September 18, 2024 and September 25, 2024 a public hearing was held on October 1, 2024 and concluded on October 1, 2024.

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Council Manager

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1           **WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 505 of the Cecil County Charter, on April 1, 2024, the County  
2 Executive submitted a proposed budget to the County Council for Fiscal Year 2025; and,

3           **WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 506 of the Cecil County Charter, the County Council held public  
4 hearings on the proposed budget submitted by the County Executive for Fiscal Year 2025; and,

5           **WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 507(b) of the Cecil County Charter, on June 4, 2024, the Budget  
6 for Cecil County was adopted for Fiscal Year 2025; and,

7           **WHEREAS**, Section 511 of the Charter of Cecil County allows the County Council to make  
8 supplemental appropriations from revenues in excess of budget estimates or from sources not anticipated  
9 in the budget; and,

10           **WHEREAS**, the Approved Capital Improvement Program for Fiscal Year 2025 provides \$2,710,000 in  
11 American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds for the Holloway Beach Sewer project; and,

12           **WHEREAS**, American Rescue Plan Act funds must be obligated by December 31, 2024, and expended  
13 by December 31, 2026; and,

14           **WHEREAS**, the Department of Public Works is working to obtain the easements needed to construct  
15 the Holloway Beach Sewer project but may not have all required easements by the December 31, 2024,  
16 deadline to obligate American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds; and,

17           **WHEREAS**, the Department of Public Works has determined that it is prudent to move the American  
18 Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds from the Holloway Beach Sewer project to other projects to ensure that they  
19 can be obligated by the December 31, 2024, deadline; and,

20           **WHEREAS**, construction costs have been increasing due to many different factors, with contractor  
21 bids frequently exceeding engineer’s estimates; and,

22           **WHEREAS**, the Department of Public Works has concluded that additional funding is required for the  
23 Public Safety Training Center, Paramedic Station 2, and Paramedic Station 4 projects; and,

24           **WHEREAS**, the Department of Public Works has determined that the Oldfield Point Road and Elkton  
25 West Sanitary Sewer projects have funds which cannot be used in Fiscal Year 2025, and which can be used  
26 to replace American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds moved from the Holloway Beach Sewer project to other  
27 projects to allow the Holloway Beach Sewer project to proceed as planned once the necessary easements  
28 are obtained; and,

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29           **WHEREAS**, the County Executive is requesting to provide supplemental expenditure authority for the  
30 Public Safety Training Center project in the amount of \$2,100,000; for the Paramedic Station 2 project in the  
31 amount of \$300,000; and for the Paramedic Station 4 project in the amount of \$300,000; funded by the  
32 Holloway Beach ARPA funds; with those said ARPA funds being replaced by \$1,700,000 County bond funds  
33 from the Oldfield Point Road project and \$1,000,000 in County bond funds from the Elkton West Sanitary  
34 Sewer project to fund those increases; and,

35           **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY,**  
36 **MARYLAND**, that the Annual Budget and Appropriations Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland, for Fiscal  
37 Year 2025 and the Capital Budget are hereby amended to provide supplemental expenditure authority by  
38 transferring \$2,100,000 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding from the Holloway Beach Sewer project  
39 to the Public Safety Training Center project; \$300,000 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding from the  
40 Holloway Beach Sewer project to the Paramedic Station 2 project; \$300,000 in American Rescue Plan Act  
41 (ARPA) funding from the Holloway Beach Sewer project to the Paramedic Station 4 project; and reducing  
42 expenditure authority by transferring \$1,700,000 in County bond funds from the Oldfield Point Road project  
43 to the Holloway Beach Sewer project; and \$1,000,000 in County bond funds from the Elkton West Sanitary  
44 Sewer project to the Holloway Beach Sewer project, and by replacing the Capital Improvement Program  
45 Project Forms for these projects with Attachments 1-13. Attachment 1 for an infographic illustrating changes  
46 in funding sources; attachments 2-13 show revised and approved CIP guide sheets.

47           **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND**, that the  
48 County Executive shall, after the bids are opened and actual costs known, have the authority to transfer any  
49 unneeded American Rescue Plan Act funds from the Paramedic Station 4 project to the Paramedic Station 2  
50 project to maximize the use of American Rescue Plan Act funding and reduce the amount of County bond  
51 funding required for the Paramedic Station 2 project.

52           **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND**, that in the  
53 event the County Executive does transfer American Rescue Plan Act funding from the Paramedic Station 4  
54 project to the Paramedic Station 2 project as described above, the County Executive shall submit to the  
55 Council revised Capital Improvement Program Project Forms reflecting final funding schedules within 60  
56 calendar days of the award of the construction contracts for the Paramedic Station 2 and Paramedic Station  
57 4 projects.

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58           **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND,** that this  
59 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 a copy was made available on the Cecil County website.

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BY: Council Manager