

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND
LEGISLATIVE SESSION 2024-14**

BILL NO. 2024-17

Title of Bill: Amendment to the Fiscal Year 2025 – Fiscal Year 2029 Capital Improvement Program – Public Safety Training Center, Project Number 51030 and Paramedic Station #2, Project Number 50051

Synopsis: A Bill to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriations Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, to revise the funding sources for the Public Safety Training Center project, Project Number 51030 and Paramedic Station #2, Project Number 50051. The Public Safety Training Center will see an increase in Bond funding of \$270,000 while seeing a decrease in ARPA funding of \$270,000. The Paramedic Station #2 will see a decrease in Bond funding of \$270,000 while seeing an increase in ARPA funding of \$270,000.

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

Introduced and ordered posted on: August 6, 2024

Public hearing scheduled on: September 3, 2024 at 7:00 pm

Consideration scheduled on: September 17, 2024

By: _____
Council Manager

PUBLIC HEARING

Notice of time and place of public hearing and title of Bill having been posted by August 6, 2024 at the County Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Elkton and having been published according to the Charter on August 21, 2024 and August 28, 2024, a public hearing was held on September 3, 2024 and concluded on September 28, 2024.

By: _____
Council Manager

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Supplemental Appropriation – Amendment to the Fiscal Year 2025 Capital Improvement Program – Public Safety Training Center, Project Number 51030 and Paramedic Station #2, Project Number 50051

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 04, 2024, the
6 Budget for Cecil County was adopted for Fiscal Year 2025; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Section 514 of the Charter of Cecil County allows the County Council to amend the Annual
8 Budget and Appropriations Ordinance to provide funds for a Capital Project not previously appearing in the
9 Capital Budget for the fiscal year; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the Approved Capital Improvement Program for Fiscal Year 2025 provides a total of
11 \$7,250,000 in American Rescue Plan Act funds for the Public Safety Training Center 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 recommends having \$270,000 in a contingency fund to
15 fund owner-directed or other change orders required on the Public Safety Training Center project; and

16 **WHEREAS**, the contingency funds must be available throughout the estimated two-year design and
17 construction period of the project, meaning that American Rescue Plan Act funds are not suitable for this
18 purpose; and

19 **WHEREAS**, the County Executive is requesting to swap out \$270,000 in American Rescue Plan Act
20 funds on the Public Safety Training Center project for \$270,000 in County bond funds on the DES Paramedic
21 Station 2 project, Project Number 50051, to provide the Public Safety Training Center project with the
22 necessary contingency funds.

23 **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY,**
24 **MARYLAND**, that the Annual Budget and Appropriations Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland, for Fiscal
25 Year 2025 and the Capital Budget are hereby amended by transferring \$270,000 in American Rescue Plan Act
26 funding from the Public Safety Training Center project to the DES Paramedic Station 2 project, and \$270,000
27 in County bond funding from the DES Paramedic Station 2 project to the Public Safety Training Center project,

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28 and by replacing the Public Safety Training Center and DES Paramedic Station 2 Project Forms in the Fiscal
29 Year 2025 Capital Budget with Attachments 1 and 2 respectively.

30 **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND,** that this
31 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.

BY: Council Manager



CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

FISCAL IMPACT NOTE

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION

SPONSOR: Council President at the request of the County Executive

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SYNOPSIS: A Bill to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriations Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, to revise the funding sources for the Public Safety Training Center project, Project Number 51030 and Paramedic Station #2, Project Number 50051.

FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY: The approval of this bill will have no impact on the fund balance.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

The Public Safety Training Center project currently has \$7,250,000 in American Rescue Plan Act (“ARPA”) funds, but no County funds. ARPA funds must be obligated by December 31, 2024, and expended by December 31, 2026. DPW recommends having a \$270,000 contingency fund for the Public Safety Training Center project. The contingency funds could be needed at any time during design and construction, which are expected to run thru December 2026. ARPA funds cannot be used for the contingency fund since they will be lost if not obligated by December 31, 2024; County funds need to be used since they don’t have such a deadline. This bill proposes to swap out \$270,000 in ARPA funds from the Public Safety Training Center project for \$270,000 in County bond funds from the DES Paramedic Station 2 project, which has sufficient County funds available. There is no net change in the bottom-line funding for either project.

Project Form Cecil County Capital Improvements Program 2025

Agency/Department: Cecil County Sheriff's Office		Project Number: 51030
Project Title: Public Safety Training Center		Project Location: TBD
Initial Year Submitted	2023	
Was it in Last Year's Submittal	Y	
Year Started	2023	
% Complete	XX%	
Contact Person	Major George Stanko / Remon Hanna	



(\$ in thousand's)

Project Description/Status:

After the recent range closures and scheduling difficulties at Elk Neck State Park Shooting Range, construction of a public safety training center in Cecil County is necessary to adequately train Sheriff's deputies and reduce operating and travel costs incurred by obtaining firearms training at outside facilities. Scheduling of range time has become increasingly difficult due to multiple agencies vying for time at fewer facilities. This project will construct an indoor range facility with 25-yard pistol and 50-yard rifle qualification lanes with movable targets, a classroom, administrative and mechanical space. The building will include provisions to control noise. The project will also provide required utilities, access roads, parking, and other supporting site improvements. The County has acquired the site. The project is currently in the planning phase.

EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE

Cost Elements	Total Cost	Prior Funding	5 Year Capital Program					Project Total thru FY29	Balance to Complete
			FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029		
Design/Engineering	500	500						-	500
Land Acquisition	2,100	2,100						-	2,100
Site Work	750	750						-	750
Construction	4,400	400	4,000					4,000	4,400
Equipment/Furnishings	500		500					500	500
Other 1	-							-	-
Other 2	-							-	-
Total Investment	8,250	3,750	4,500	-	-	-	-	4,500	8,250

FUNDING SCHEDULE

Paygo (County, WW, SW)	-								-	-
Bonds (County, WW, SW)	270		270						270	270
County ARPA	6,980	2,750	4,230					4,230	6,980	
Other	-							-	-	
County Total	7,250	2,750	4,500	-	-	-	-	4,500	7,250	-
Federal	-								-	-
State	1,000	1,000							1,000	
Other Government	-								-	
Government Total	1,000	1,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,000	-
Total Funds	8,250	3,750	4,500	-	-	-	-	4,500	8,250	-

OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT:

Estimated Annual Debt Service Cost:	0
Annual Operating/Maintenance Cost:	0
New Positions (FTE's):	0.0

Financial Activity as of
Expended
Encumbered
Total

10/1/2023
0
0
0

Project Form Cecil County Capital Improvements Program 2025

Agency/Department: DES		Project Number: 50051
Project Title: DES Paramedic Station #2		Project Location: TBD
Initial Year Submitted	FY24	
Was it in Last Year's Submittal	Y	
Year Started	FY24	
% Complete	TBD	
Contact Person	John Donohue	

Map Location



(\$ in thousand's)

Project Description/Status:

The current Paramedic Station #2 proposed location is located in leased space along Route 40 between North East and Elkton. This project will construct a new paramedic station along the Route 40 corridor in the vicinity of Charlestown to replace the leased space the current paramedic station utilizes and in a better location given projected future growth, call volumes, and response times. The paramedic station will include vehicle bays, office, bunk, and storage space. Water, sewer, and communications infrastructure will be extended to the site. Project is currently in land acquisitions and design phase

EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE

Cost Elements	Total Cost	Prior Funding	5 Year Capital Program					5 Year Total	Project Total thru FY29	Balance to Complete
			FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029			
Design/Engineering	250	250						-	250	
Land Acquisition	400	400						-	400	
Site Work	1,290	390	900					900	1,290	
Construction	2,900		2,900					2,900	2,900	
Equipment/Furnishings	116		116					116	116	
Other 1	-							-	-	
Other 2	-							-	-	
Total Investment	4,956	1,040	3,916	-	-	-	-	3,916	4,956	-

FUNDING SCHEDULE

Paygo (County, WW, SW)	-								-	-	
Bonds (County, WW, SW)	1,474	450	1,024					1,024	1,474		
County ARPA	3,482	590	2,892					2,892	3,482		
Other	-							-	-		
County Total	4,956	1,040	3,916	-	-	-	-	3,916	4,956	-	
Federal	-							-	-		
State	-							-	-		
Other Government	-							-	-		
Government Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total Funds	4,956	1,040	3,916	-	-	-	-	3,916	4,956	-	

OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT:

Estimated Annual Debt Service Cost:	0
Annual Operating/Maintenance Cost:	0
New Positions (FTE's):	0.0

Financial Activity as of
Expended
Encumbered
Total

10/1/2023
3,200
21,500
24,700