Resolution No.: 20-261

Introduced: July 18, 2023
Adopted: July 25, 2023

COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

By: Council President at the Request of the County Executive

SUBJECT: Special Appropriation #24-1 to the FY24 Operating Budget

Montgomery County Government

Community Grants - NDA

Non-Profit Technical Assistance and Management Support Grants, and Underserved

Communities Projects Grants \$1,500,000

(Source of Funds: General Fund: Undesignated Reserves)

Background

- 1. Section 308 of the Montgomery County Charter provides that a special appropriation: (a) may be made at any time after public notice by news release; (b) must state that the special appropriation is necessary to meet an unforeseen disaster or other emergency or to act without delay in the public interest; (c) must specify the revenues necessary to finance it; and (d) must be approved by no fewer than six members of the Council.
- 2. The County Executive has requested the following FY24 Operating Budget appropriation increases for the Community Grants Non-departmental Account:

Personnel	Operating	<u>Total</u>	Source
Services	Expenses		of Funds
\$0	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	General Fund: Undesignated Reserves

This increase is needed because grant agreements implementing the Non-Profit Technical Assistance and Management Support Grants (NTAMS), and the Underserved Communities Projects Grants (UCP), were unable to be executed prior to the end of FY23. Due to an unfilled Outgoing Grants Program Manager II position throughout the majority of FY23 and an exceptionally high volume of applications for both programs, the County was unable to move to a final awarding process until June, late in the fiscal year. At that time, it was also determined that an unintentional accounting error under-accrued FY22 funds in this account and reduced carryforward budget authority into FY23. The loss of the requisite amount of carryforward budget reduced the financial resources of the NDA for FY23. Because of the under-accrual in FY22 and the lack of spending in FY23 for these grants, General Fund Reserves include the \$1.5 million in savings from unspent appropriations, which is the source of funds for this special appropriation.

- 3. This special appropriation will allow both grant programs to proceed during FY24 in accordance with the FY23 Approved Operating Budget.
- 4. The County Executive recommends a special appropriation to the FY24 Operating Budget of the Community Grants Non-Departmental Account in the amount of \$1,500,000 for the Non-Profit Technical Assistance and Management Support Grants, and the Underserved Communities Projects Grants, and specifies that the source of funds will be General Fund: Undesignated Reserves.
- 5. Notice of public hearing was given and a public hearing was held.

Action

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland, approves the following action:

A special appropriation to the FY24 Operating Budget of the Community Grants Non-Departmental Account is approved as follows:

Personnel	Operating	<u>Total</u>	Source
Services	Expenses		of Funds
\$0	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	General Fund: Undesignated Reserves

This is a correct copy of Council action.

Sara R. Tenenbaum Clerk of the Council