

Resolution No.:	<u>20-724</u>
Introduced:	<u>January 21, 2025</u>
Adopted:	<u>February 25, 2025</u>

**COUNTY COUNCIL
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**

Lead Sponsor: Council President at the Request of the County Executive

SUBJECT: Amendment to the FY25-30 Capital Improvements Program and Supplemental Appropriation #25-52 to the FY25 Capital Budget Montgomery County Government Department of Transportation Bus Rapid Transit: Howard County Expansion (No. 502514), \$4,800,000

Background

1. Section 307 of the Montgomery County Charter provides that any supplemental appropriation shall be recommended by the County Executive who shall specify the source of funds to finance it. The Council shall hold a public hearing on each proposed supplemental appropriation after at least one week's notice. A supplemental appropriation that would comply with, avail the County of, or put into effect a grant or a Federal, State or County law or regulation, or one that is approved after January 1 of any fiscal year, requires an affirmative vote of six Councilmembers. A supplemental appropriation for any other purpose that is approved before January 1 of any fiscal year requires an affirmative vote of seven Councilmembers. The Council may, in a single action, approve more than one supplemental appropriation. The Executive may disapprove or reduce a supplemental appropriation, and the Council may reapprove the appropriation, as if it were an item in the annual budget.
2. Section 302 of the Montgomery County Charter provides that the Council may amend an approved capital improvements program at any time by an affirmative vote of no fewer than six members of the Council.
3. The County Executive recommends the following capital project appropriation increases:

<u>Project Name</u>	<u>Project Number</u>	<u>Cost Element</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Source of Funds</u>
Bus Rapid Transit:				
Howard County				
Expansion	502514	Other	\$3,350,000	Federal Aid
		Other	\$1,450,000	Intergovernmental
TOTAL			\$4,800,000	

4. This increase is needed because additional Flash buses are required to extend the U.S. 29 Flash Bus Rapid Transit service into Howard County. To accomplish the extension of Flash service the County will procure four zero emission buses that will connect riders to high-density housing and employment centers. The recommended amendment is consistent with the criteria for amending the CIP because it has a capital cost of at least \$100,000 and the annual operating budget impact is equal to or is greater than 10 percent of the capital cost of the project which will be fully subsidized by Howard County.
5. The County Executive recommends an amendment to the FY25-30 Capital Improvements Program and a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$4,800,000 for Bus Rapid Transit: Flash Howard County Expansion (No. 502514), and specifies that the sources of funds will be Federal Aid and Intergovernmental Funds.
6. Notice of public hearing was given and a public hearing was held.

Action

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

The FY25-30 Capital Improvements Program of the Montgomery County Government is amended as reflected on the attached project description form and a supplemental appropriation is approved as follows:

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Bus Rapid Transit: Howard County Expansion	502514	Other	\$3,350,000	Federal Aid
		Other	\$1,450,000	Intergovernmental
TOTAL			\$4,800,000	

This is a correct copy of Council action.



Sara R. Tenenbaum
Clerk of the Council