

Resolution No.: 20-993  
Introduced: November 18, 2025  
Adopted: December 2, 2025

**COUNTY COUNCIL  
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**

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

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**SUBJECT:** Supplemental Appropriation #26-10 to the FY26 Operating Budget  
Achieving Net Zero Energy Codes for All  
Montgomery County Government - Department of Permitting Services  
Federal Grant, \$10,000,000

**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. The County Executive has requested the following FY26 Operating Budget appropriation increases for the Department of Permitting Services (DPS):

<u>Personnel Services</u>	<u>Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Source of Funds</u>
\$0	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000	Federal Grant

- 3. This increase is needed because DPS has received a \$10,000,000 grant from the Department of Energy to further develop County codes, ultimately leading to the Net Zero Energy Code adoption over the next two code cycles in 2029. Expenditures will be reimbursed quarterly per the grant agreement. The funds will provide for training, education, and tools development to support code and standards implementation, enforcement, and compliance activities, working towards Montgomery County’s Climate Action Plan Net Zero Energy targets.
- 4. The County Executive recommends a supplemental appropriation of \$10,000,000 to the FY26 Operating Budget for the Achieving Net Zero Energy Building Codes for All program and specifies that the funds will be Federal Grant.
- 5. Notice of public hearing was given and a public hearing was held.

**Action**

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

A supplemental appropriation to the FY26 Operating Budget of the Department of Permitting Services is approved as follows:

<u>Personnel Services</u>	<u>Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Source of Funds</u>
\$0	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000	Federal Grant

This is a correct copy of Council action.



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Sara R. Tenenbaum  
Clerk of the Council