

ADDENDUM

AGENDA ITEM #4C

July 21, 2026

Action

MEMORANDUM

July 20, 2026

TO: County Council

FROM: Jim Ogorzalek, Legislative Attorney

SUBJECT: Bill 22-26, Finance - Economic Development Fund - Small Business Innovation Research and Small Business Technology Transfer Matching Grant Program - Repeal of Sunset Date

PURPOSE: **Action** – roll call vote expected

Following publication of the July 16, 2026, staff report for Bill 22-26, Finance - Economic Development Fund - Small Business Innovation Research and Small Business Technology Transfer Matching Grant Program - Repeal of Sunset Date, Councilmember Sayles indicated an intent to offer an amendment to the bill.

The amendment would create a survey requirement for the Executive Branch intended to address the issues raised in the Bill's Racial Equity and Social Justice Impact Statement.

The full text of the proposed amendment, which is incorporated by this addendum into the staff report, is as follows:

1. Councilmember Sayles Amendment

Amend lines 37–62, as follows:

- (4) The Director must [[report]] annually survey applicants and awardees under the program and report the results to the Council regarding the following information:
- (A) the number and amount of grants awarded;
 - (B) federal dollars leveraged;

- (C) number of employees;
- (D) average wages;
- (E) commercialization outcomes;
- (F) follow-on private investment;
- (G) demographic data, including the race, ethnicity, and gender of the owners of eligible businesses, applicants, and awardees under the Program;
- (H) if applicable, a brief description of any workforce development activities supported by the grant, including internships, apprenticeships, educational partnerships, workforce training, or other efforts to expand career opportunities for Montgomery County residents; and
- (I) if applicable, a brief description of any efforts to purchase from, partner with, mentor, or contract with Montgomery County small businesses, including businesses certified under the County's minority, female, disabled-owned, or veteran-owned business programs.