

COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND
LEGISLATIVE SESSION DAY 2020-11

RESOLUTION NO. 30-2020

Title of Resolution: Supplemental Appropriation – Grant Funds – Housing Fund – Coronavirus Pandemic

Synopsis: A Resolution to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 in order to provide the Housing Fund \$103,824 of operating revenue and expense appropriation authority from a grant made available under section 601(a) of the Social Security Act, as added by Section 5001 of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) allocated to the Department of Housing and Urban Development from the United States Department of the Treasury for the purpose of aiding local housing authorities with expenses related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Introduced by: Council President on behalf of the County Executive

Introduced and ordered posted on: June 9, 2020

Scheduled for consideration on: June 16, 2020

By: James Massey
Council Manager

Notice and title of Resolution having been posted by June 9, 2020 at the County Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Elkton and consideration by the Council having been scheduled on June 16, 2020.

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Council Manager

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Supplemental Appropriation – Grant Funds – Housing Fund –Coronavirus Pandemic

1 **WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 505 of the Cecil County Charter, on April 1, 2019, the County
2 Executive submitted a proposed budget to the County Council for Fiscal Year 2020; and

3 **WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 506 of the Cecil County Charter, the County Council held
4 public hearings on the proposed budget submitted by the County Executive for Fiscal Year 2020; and

5 **WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 507(b) of the Cecil County Charter, on June 4, 2019, the
6 Budget for Cecil County was adopted for Fiscal Year 2020; and

7 **WHEREAS**, the County Executive is revising the Fiscal Year 2020 Housing Fund revenue estimate for
8 Cecil County as follows: the addition of \$103,824 in revenue and expense within the Housing Fund to
9 provide expenditure authority for the CARES Act grant; and

10 **WHEREAS**, such appropriation is necessary to provide \$103,824 in supplemental administrative fee
11 funding that may be used for only the following purposes: (1) any currently eligible House Choice Voucher
12 (including Mainstream voucher) administrative costs during the period that the program is impacted by
13 coronavirus; and (2) new coronavirus-related activities, including activities to support or maintain the
14 health and safety of assisted individuals and families, and costs related to the retention and support of
15 participating owners.

16 **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY,**
17 **MARYLAND**, that the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Cecil County, Maryland for Fiscal
18 Year 2020 is hereby amended and a supplemental appropriation to the Current Budget in the amount of
19 \$103,824 of operating revenue and expense appropriation authority from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and
20 Economic Security Act (CARES Act) for the purpose of aiding local housing authorities with expenses related
21 to the COVID-19 pandemic.

22 **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND**, that this
23 Resolution shall take effect on the date of its passage.

INTRODUCED: June 9, 2020

ADOPTED: June 16, 2020

ATTEST



Council Manager



President of the Council



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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FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY: Net fiscal impact to the County will be zero for Fiscal 2020. The costs the Housing Fund has incurred related to COVID-19 were unplanned, unbudgeted expenditures in the FY2020 budget. The CARES Act funding will allow the Housing related expenditures to be reimbursed for items related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

PHI Notice PIH-2020-08 from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development advised Cecil County that the federal agency was awarding \$103,824 to Cecil County from the Coronavirus Relief Fund established under the CARES Act.

Per the notice:

- a. The funding is being made available to the Department of Housing effective May 1, 2020.
- b. Under the CARES Act, this supplemental administrative fee funding may be used only for two purposes: (1) any currently eligible Housing Choice Voucher (including Mainstream voucher) administrative costs during the period that the program is impacted by coronavirus; and (2) new coronavirus-related activities, including activities to support or maintain the health and safety of assisted individuals and families, and costs related to the retention and support of participating owners.