

Worksession

MEMORANDUM

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TO: Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee

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SUBJECT: **Worksession:** FY12 Operating Budget for the Charter Review Commission NDA

Those expected for this worksession:

- Jane Mukira, Office of Management and Budget

The Executive's recommendation for the Charter Review Commission Non-Departmental Account is attached at ©1.

Overview

For FY12, the Executive recommends total expenditures of \$1,150 for this NDA. The following table represents historical expenditures for this NDA.

Table 1. Charter Review Commission NDA Expenditures

| Actual FY04 | Actual FY05 | Actual FY06 | Actual FY07* | Actual FY08 | Actual FY09 | Actual FY10 | Budget FY11 | Rec. FY12 |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| \$667 | \$125 | \$624 | \$0 | \$934 | \$135 | \$1,120 | \$100 | \$1,150 |

* In FY07, which was an election year, there was not a functioning Commission and therefore no Commission expenses.

FY12 Expenditure Issue

The Montgomery County Charter requires the Charter Review Commission to report to the County Council in May of every even numbered year. Expenses for the Commission vary from year to year. The Executive's recommended FY12 operating budget includes expenses for printing and postage and other activities associated with meeting preparation and the publication of a report in May 2012. **Council staff recommends** approving the Executive's recommended budget as submitted.

accordance with the Board's asset allocation strategy and investment guidelines. The Board also administers the investment programs for the RSP and DCP. The Board consists of 13 trustees including the Directors of Human Resources, Finance, Management and Budget, and the Council Staff; one member recommended by each employee organization; one active employee not represented by an employee organization; one retired employee; two members of the public recommended by the County Council; and two members of the general public.

| FY12 Recommended Changes | Expenditures | WYs |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|------------|
| FY11 Approved | 0 | 0.0 |
| FY12 CE Recommended | 0 | 0.0 |

Boards, Committees, and Commissions

There are approximately 75 boards, committees, and commissions, created by law or resolution, which serve the County for a variety of purposes. These funds provide for the reimbursement of certain expenses incurred by eligible members of boards, committees, or commissions while on official business and/or for expenses related to the establishment of any new boards, committees, or commissions.

| FY12 Recommended Changes | Expenditures | WYs |
|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------|------------|
| FY11 Approved | 27,000 | 0.0 |
| Reduce: Travel and Dependent Care Reimbursements | -4,050 | 0.0 |
| FY12 CE Recommended | 22,950 | 0.0 |

Charter Review Commission

Section 509 of the County Charter requires that a Charter Review Commission be appointed by the County Council every four years, within six months after the Council assumes office, for the purpose of studying the Charter. The Commission shall report at least once to the Council on the Commission's activities within one year after appointment. Commission reports shall be submitted no later than May 1 of every even-numbered year. The reports shall contain recommendations concerning proposed Charter amendments, if any. This NDA provides for the expenses of the Commission.

| FY12 Recommended Changes | Expenditures | WYs |
|-----------------------------------------|---------------------|------------|
| FY11 Approved | 100 | 0.0 |
| Increase Cost: Increase Operating Costs | 900 | 0.0 |
| Increase Cost: Charter Review | 150 | 0.0 |
| FY12 CE Recommended | 1,150 | 0.0 |

Community Grants

This NDA provides one-time grants directly to organizations in the Community. A complete list of grantees is located within the FY12 Recommended Changes Table at the end of this section. Included in this NDA are:

- Community Grants: one-time grants to organizations that leverage Federal, State, and/or private funding or improve the quality of life for County residents. FY12 Community Grants are \$2,846,030;
- Community Service Grants: one-time grants for capital purchases that support health and human service activities. FY12 Community Service Grants are \$59,300.

Approved for Community Grants, but included as part of the Capital Budget within the Cost Sharing: MCG Project (CIP#720601) for a total of \$425,000 are listed as follows: Ivymount School, Inc. \$100,000; CHI Centers, Inc. \$200,000; and Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Washington, Inc. \$125,000.

| FY12 Recommended Changes | Expenditures | WYs |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|------------|
| FY11 Approved | 3,947,140 | 0.0 |
| Add: Community Grant: 9/11 Memorial of Maryland (Maryland 9/11 memorial at the World Trade Center in Baltimore's Inner Harbor) | 25,000 | 0.0 |
| Add: Community Grant: A Wider Circle, Inc. (rent and utilities) | 28,720 | 0.0 |
| Add: Community Grant: All Cameroonian Cultural and Development Foundation (a needs assessment and awareness campaign to identify patterns of vulnerability) | 25,000 | 0.0 |
| Add: Community Grant: Alliance for Workplace Excellence (operating support) | 23,800 | 0.0 |
| Add: Community Grant: Animal Welfare League of Montgomery County, Inc. (rent and utilities) | 10,690 | 0.0 |
| Add: Community Grant: Bethesda Cares, Inc (emergency and mental health services to homeless in Bethesda) | 28,500 | 0.0 |