



**Introduction**

Isiah Leggett  
County Executive

OFFICES OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

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Chief Administrative Officer

MEMORANDUM

January 19, 2010

TO: Nancy Floreen, President, County Council

FROM: Isiah Leggett, County Executive 

SUBJECT: Amendment to the FY09-14 Capital Improvements Program and Supplemental Appropriation #10-S10-CMCG-5 to the FY10 Capital Budget  
Montgomery County Government  
Department of Transportation  
Traffic Signal System Modernization (No. 500704), \$1,000,000

I am recommending an amendment to the FY09-14 Capital Improvements Program and a supplemental appropriation to the FY10 Capital Budget in the amount of \$1,000,000 for the Traffic Signal System Modernization (No. 500704). Appropriation for this project will accelerate the replacement of the existing traffic signal control system.

This increase is needed due to the November 2009 failure of the existing aged traffic signal control system which is reliant on dated technology and urgently requires upgrading. Funds will be used to accelerate this modernization effort by two years so we can more expeditiously upgrade and replace the system. The recommended amendment is consistent with the criteria for amending the CIP because the project is needed to address a safety concern.

I recommend that the County Council approve this supplemental appropriation and amendment to the FY09-14 Capital Improvements Program in the amount of \$1,000,000 and specify the source of funds as G.O. Bonds.

I appreciate your prompt consideration of this action.

IL:jb

Attachment: Amendment to the FY09-14 Capital Improvements Program and Supplemental Appropriation #10-S10-CMCG-5

c: Arthur Holmes, Jr., Director, Department of Transportation  
Joseph Beach, Director, Office of Management & Budget

Resolution: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Introduced: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY COUNCIL  
 FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

By: Council President at the Request of the County Executive

SUBJECT: Amendment to the FY09-14 Capital Improvements Program and Supplemental  
 Appropriation #10-S10-CMCG-5 to the FY10 Capital Budget  
 Montgomery County Government  
 Department of Transportation  
 Traffic Signal System Modernization (No. 500704), \$1,000,000

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 five Councilmembers. A supplemental appropriation for any other purpose that is approved before January 1 of any fiscal year requires an affirmative vote of six 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 acceleration:

<u>Project Name</u>	<u>Project Number</u>	<u>Cost Element</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Source of Funds</u>
Traffic Signal System Modernization	500704	Site Improvements & Utilities	\$1,000,000	G.O. Bonds
TOTAL			\$1,000,000	G.O. Bonds

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4. This increase is needed due to the November 2009 failure of the existing aged traffic signal control system which is reliant on dated technology and urgently requires upgrading. Funds will be used to accelerate this modernization effort by two years so we can more expeditiously upgrade and replace the system. The recommended amendment is consistent with the criteria for amending the CIP because the project is needed to address a safety concern.
5. The County Executive has requested an amendment to the FY09-14 Capital Improvements Program and a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$1,000,000 for the Traffic Signal System Modernization (No. 500704) and specifies that the source of funds will be G.O. Bonds.
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 FY09-14 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:

<u>Project Name</u>	<u>Project Number</u>	<u>Cost Element</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Source of Funds</u>
Traffic Signal System Modernization	500704	Site Improvements & Utilities	\$1,000,000	G.O. Bonds
TOTAL			\$1,000,000	G.O. Bonds

This is a correct copy of Council action.

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Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council



## SUPPLEMENTAL OR SPECIAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST SUMMARY

**1. Please fill in the following table:**

Agency	Montgomery County Government
Department	Department of Transportation
Fund (County Government only)	CIP / GO Bonds
Fiscal year	FY10
Supplemental or Special	Supplemental

**2. What is the amount and source of funding?**

Source of funding (Please list sources)	Amount
G.O. Bonds	\$1,000,000
Total request	\$1,000,000

**3. Please explain why you did not request this during the annual budget process.**

In November 2009, the existing traffic signal system experienced a failure that caused significant congestion and delays throughout the County for nearly two days. This event has necessitated that the existing system be replaced sooner than was planned in the original project schedule. The plan and costs for the final phase, which will include all other work not critical to system replacement, are currently under development.