Traffic Signals (P507154)

Category
Sub Category
Administering Agency
Planning Area

Transportation
Traffic Improvements
Transportation (AAGE30)
Countywide

Date Last Modified
Required Adequate Public Facility
Relocation Impact
Status

11/17/14 No None Ongoing

	Total	Thru FY14	Rem FY14	Total 6 Years	FY 15	FY 16	FY 17	FY 18	FY 19	FY 20	Beyond 6 Yrs
EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000s)											
Planning, Design and Supervision	6,654	2,245	0	4,409	784	725	725	725	725	725	0
Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Site Improvements and Utilities	26,541	1,931	1,626	22,984	4,441	4,000	2,257	4,986	3,650	3,650	0
Construction	67	67	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	83	64	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	33,345	4,307	1,645	27,393	5,225	4,725	2,982	5,711	4,375	4,375	0
FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000s)											
G.O. Bonds	22,744	1,733	1,645	19,366	1,494	3,601	1,806	5,591	3,451	3,423	0
Recordation Tax Premium	10,601	2,574	0	8,027	3,731	1,124	1,176	120	924	952	0
Total	33,345	4,307	1,645	27,393	5,225	4,725	2,982	5,711	4,375	4,375	0
OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (\$000s)											
Energy				504	24	48	72	96	120	144	
Maintenance				252	12	24	36	48	60	72	
Program-Staff				450	50	50	50	100	100	100	
Net Impact				1,206	86	122	158	244	280	316	
Full Time Equivalent (FTE)					1.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA (000s)

Appropriation Request	FY 16	4,725
Supplemental Appropriation Request	0	
Transfer	0	
Cumulative Appropriation	11,245	
Expenditure / Encumbrances	5,047	
Unencumbered Balance	6,198	

Date First Appropriation		
First Cost Estimate		
Current Scope	FY 15	33,345
Last FY's Cost Estimate		40,889
Partial Closeout Thru		89,761
New Partial Closeout	4,307	
Total Partial Closeout		94,068

Description

This project provides for the design, construction, and maintenance of vehicular and pedestrian traffic signals and signal systems including: new and existing signals; reconstruction/replacement of aged and obsolete signals and components; auxiliary signs; Accessible Pedestrian Signals (APS); upgrades of the County's centrally-controlled computerized traffic signal system; communications and interconnect into the signal system. \$150,000 is included each fiscal year for the installation of accessible pedestrian signals at 5 intersections to improve pedestrian safety for persons with disabilities. This will provide more easily accessible, raised buttons to press when crossing the road. Also, this effort provides audio cues to indicate when it is safe to cross.

Cost Change

Decrease due to fiscal capacity and capitalization of prior year expenditures

Justification

The growth in County population and vehicular registrations continues to produce increasing traffic volumes. As a result, congestion levels and the number of accidents increase. This requires a continued investment in the traffic signal system to: increase intersection safety; accommodate changes in traffic patterns and roadway geometry; reduce intersection delays, energy consumption, and air pollution; and provide coordinated movement on arterial routes through effective traffic management and control, utilizing modern traffic signal technologies. Studies include: The December 2007 Pedestrian Safety Initiative and the March 2010 Report of the Infrastructure Maintenance Task Force which identified traffic signals in need of lifecycle replacement.

Other

Approximately 40 projects are completed annually by a combination of contractual and County work crews. One aspect of this project focuses on improving pedestrian walkability by creating a safe walking environment, utilizing selected engineering technologies, and ensuring Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance. All new and reconstructed traffic signals are designed and constructed to include appropriate pedestrian features - crosswalks, curb ramps, countdown pedestrian signals, APS, and applicable signing. A significant portion of the traffic signal work will continue to be in the central business districts and other commercial areas, where costs are higher due to more underground utilities and congested work areas. Likewise, new signals in outlying, developing areas are more expensive due to longer runs of communication cable. The fiber optic interconnection of traffic signals is done through the Fibernet project.

Fiscal Note

As of FY97, \$700,000 per year is redirected to the Fibernet project and is to continue through the implementation of Fibernet; Includes funding switches in FY15-FY20 between GO Bonds and Recordation Tax Premium

Disclosures

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A pedestrian impact analysis will be performed during design or is in progress.

Expenditures will continue indefinitely.

The Executive asserts that this project conforms to the requirements of relevant local plans, as required by the Maryland Economic Growth, Resource Protection and Planning Act.

Coordination

Advanced Transportation Management System, Verizon, Fibernet CIP (No. 509651), Maryland State Highway Administration, Potomac Electric Power Company, Washington Gas and Light, Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, Montgomery County Pedestrian Safety Advisory Committee, Citizens Advisory Boards, Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission