Resolution No:

20-826

Introduced:

May 22, 2025

Adopted: May 22, 2025

COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

Lead Sponsor: County Council

SUBJECT: Approval of the FY 2026-2031 Capital Improvements Program for the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission

Background

- 1. As required by Section 23-304 of the Public Utilities Article of the Maryland Code, before October 1 of each year, the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (Commission) must prepare and submit to the County Executive and County Council of Montgomery County a 6-year Capital Improvements Program (CIP) for water and sewer facilities.
- 2. On September 27, 2024, the Commission transmitted to the Council its Proposed FY 2026-2031 CIP and Information Only projects.
- 3. On January 15, 2025, the Executive transmitted to the Council his recommendations regarding the Commission's Proposed FY 2026-2031 CIP and Information Only projects.
- 4. On February 19, 2025, the Commission approved the transmittal to the County of a midcycle update to the Proposed FY 2026-2031 CIP and Information Only projects.
- 5. Section 23-306 of the Public Utilities Article of the Maryland Code authorizes the Council to approve, disapprove, or modify the Commission's CIP.
- 6. Section 23-305 of the Public Utilities Article of the Maryland Code requires that before final action on the Commission's CIP is taken, public hearings must be held on the Program. The Council held public hearings on the Commission's FY 2026-2031 CIP and Information Only projects on February 5 and 6, 2025.
- 7. The Council considered the recommendations of the Executive and the Montgomery County Planning Board regarding the Commission's FY 2026-2031 CIP and Information Only projects, and reviewed the project description forms.

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8. The Council recognizes that the information and documentation contained in the Commission's FY 2026-2031 CIP are an integral part of the Comprehensive Water Supply and Sewerage Systems Plan which must be submitted to the State Department of the Environment in accordance with Section 9-501 *et seq.* of the Environment Article of the Maryland Code.

9. On May 8, 2025, the Montgomery County and Prince George's County Councils jointly reviewed and approved the Commission's Proposed FY 2026-2031 CIP and Information Only projects with changes.

Action

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the following resolution for the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission:

1. The Council approves the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission's Proposed FY 2026-2031 CIP and Information Only projects as transmitted to the County on September 27, 2024, except those projects which are approved as modified by the Montgomery and Prince George's County Councils. Amended project description forms are attached to this resolution and are identified by the following project numbers:

A-110.00 - Other Capital Programs

2. The Council approves the close out of the projects in Part I.

This is a correct copy of Council action.

Sara R. Tenenbaum

Clerk of the Council

Other Capital Programs

	A. Identification and Coding Information				
Agency Number A - 000110.00		Project Number	Update Code		
			Change		

PDF Date	October 1, 2024
Date Revised	March 1, 2025

Pressure Zones	
Drainage Basins	
Planning Areas	Bi-County

B. Expenditure Schedule (000's)

Cost Elements	Total	Thru FY'24	Estimate FY'25	Total 6 Years	Year 1 FY'26	Year 2 FY'27	Year 3 FY'28	Year 4 FY'29	Year 5 FY'30	Year 6 FY'31	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design & Supervision	70,728		9,240	61,488	7,733	10,751	10,751	10,751	10,751	10,751	
Land											
Construction	426,521		47,302	379,219	21,231	67,603	68,613	73,913	73,924	73,935	
Other	84,160		12,585	71,575	27,398	8,856	8,846	8,836	8,825	8,814	
Total	581,409	·	69,127	512,282	56,362	87,210	88,210	93,500	93,500	93,500	

C. Funding Schedule (000's)

WSSC Bonds	581,409	69,127 512,28	2 56,362 87,210	,500 93,500	93,500

D. Description & Justification

DESCRIPTION

Other Capital Programs (OCP) includes miscellaneous capital projects, programs, and expenditures for common, non-CIP, enterprise-wide activities such as relocations, new water and sewer house connections, purchase and installation of water meters, purchase of generators, paving, and general construction of local lines.

*EXPENDITURES FOR OTHER CAPITAL PROGRAMS ARE EXPECTED TO CONTINUE INDEFINITELY.

JUSTIFICATION

The OCP does not include proposed "major projects" which, by law, must be programmed in WSSC Water's Six-Year Capital Improvements Program (CIP) or projects to serve new development.

COST CHANGE

Not applicable.

OTHER

The OCP summarizes capital expenditures and allocated costs that are not already included in the CIP or in other Information Only projects. Expenditures for the budget year are estimated during the annual CIP update cycle each summer for the Proposed CIP document. The estimates will be revised and updated during the annual budget update cycle each fall for the Proposed Operating & Capital Budget document. Future years are Order of Magnitude estimates and are expected to change with each update cycle.

COORDINATION

Coordinating Agencies: Not Applicable Coordinating Projects: Not Applicable

E. Annual Operating Budget Impact (000's)				
\$20,950				
\$20,950				
\$0.04				
	\$20,950 \$20,950			

F. Approval and Expenditure Data (000's)

Date First in Program	FY'21
Date First Approved	FY'21
Initial Cost Estimate	
Cost Estimate Last FY	495,540
Present Cost Estimate	581,409
Approved Request Last FY	61,712
Total Expense & Encumbrances	
Approval Request Year 1	56,362

G. Status Information

Land Status	Not Applicable
Project Phase	On-Going
Percent Complete	0 %
Estimated Completion Date	On-Going

Growth	
System Improvement	100%
Environmental Regulation	
Population Served	
Capacity	

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MAP NOT APPLICABLE

PART I: Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission Capital Projects To Be Closed Out

The Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission has authorized the close out of the following capital projects

Project Number	Project Name		
P063804	Patuxent Raw Water Pipeline		