

Resolution No.: 15-1498  
Introduced: May 16, 2006  
Adopted: June 13, 2006

**COUNTY COUNCIL  
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**

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By: Council President at the Request of the County Executive

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**SUBJECT:** Supplemental Appropriation #06-107 to the FY06 Operating Budget  
Montgomery County Government  
Department of Public Works and Transportation  
Snow Removal/Wind and Rain Storm Clean Up, \$5,957,700

**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. The County Executive recommends the following FY06 Operating Budget appropriation increases:

Personnel <u>Services</u>	Operating <u>Expenses</u>	Capital <u>Outlay</u>	<u>Total</u>	Source <u>of Funds</u>
\$846,650	\$5,111,050	\$0	\$5,957,700	General Fund Undesignated Reserves

3. This increase is needed because expenditures for snow removal operations and wind and rain storm clean up exceed the FY06 appropriation of \$3,058,330 due to the following:
  - a. During the winter of 2005-2006, Montgomery County experienced nine snow events with total snow accumulation of approximately 17.5 inches. While some of these events did not result in plowing, both County and contractual personnel were required to report and/or be on standby and equipment was ready and made available based on weather forecasts. The total cost associated with snow removal operations was \$6,792,640, of which \$2,561,370 was budgeted.
  - b. Wind and rain storm clean up expenditures to date are \$2,023,390, of which \$496,960 was budgeted. This amount, which is considerably higher than last year, is attributed to the frequency and severity of wind and rain storms in the past nine months.
  - c. In addition to expenditures incurred to date, this supplemental appropriation provides \$200,000 to cover clean up costs that we expect to incur in May and June of 2006. Damage from wind and rain storms is unpredictable, with the bulk of the clean up required from April through September.
4. The County Executive recommends a supplemental appropriation to the FY06 Operating Budget in the amount of \$5,957,700 for snow removal/wind and rain storm clean up and the source of funds will be General Fund Undesignated Reserves.
5. Notice of public hearing was given and a public hearing was held.

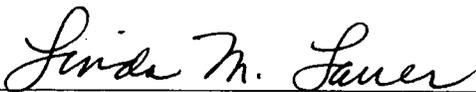
**Action**

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland, approves the following action:

A supplemental appropriation to the FY06 Operating Budget is approved as follows:

<u>Personnel</u> <u>Services</u>	<u>Operating</u> <u>Expenses</u>	<u>Capital</u> <u>Outlay</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Source</u> <u>of Funds</u>
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This is a correct copy of Council action.

  
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Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council