

Resolution No.: 17-571
Introduced: September 25, 2012
Adopted: October 16, 2012

**COUNTY COUNCIL
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**

By: Council President at the Request of the County Executive

SUBJECT: Amendment to the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission's (M-NCPPC) FY13-18 Capital Improvements Program and Supplemental Appropriation to the FY13 Capital Budget for Woodlawn Barn Visitor Center, #098703

Background

1. Article 28, Section 2-118(a)(6) of the Annotated Code of Maryland permits the County Council to amend the budget of the M-NCPPC by resolution on the Council's initiative, or at the request of the Commission, after receipt of a recommendation from the County Executive, and after public hearing upon reasonable notice to the public.
2. Section 307 of the Montgomery County Charter states that a 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 (5) Councilmembers. A supplemental appropriation for any other purpose that is approved before January 1 of any fiscal year requires an affirmative vote of six (6) 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.
3. On behalf of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC), the County Executive requests the following supplemental appropriation:

Project Name	Project No.	Cost Element	Amount	Source of Funds
Woodlawn Barn Visitor Center	098703	Site Improvements	\$300,000	State Aid

- 4. The County Executive recommends this supplemental appropriation to M-NCPPC’s FY13 Capital Budget in the amount of \$300,000. The source of funds is State Aid. The additional funds are necessary due to scope changes required to comply with historic regulatory reviews and approvals such as locating program elements in the carriage house and adding site work to assure less impact on the barn, the primary historic resource. In addition, since approved in FY03, the project cost has never been adjusted for inflation.
- 5. M-NCPPC requests that the County Council approve this supplemental appropriation to fund remaining work on the Woodlawn Barn Visitor Center in Sandy Spring, Maryland.
- 6. The public was notified by a news release and a public hearing was held.

Action

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

Amendment to the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission’s FY13-18 Capital Improvements Program and Supplemental Appropriation to the FY13 Capital Budget for Woodlawn Barn Visitor Center, #098703, is approved as follows:

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This is a correct copy of Council action.



Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council

Attachment: Project Description Form

Woodlawn Barn Visitors Center -- No. 098703

APPROVED
10/19/12
March 07, 2012
No
None
Final Design Stage

Category M-NCPPC
Subcategory Development
Administering Agency M-NCPPC
Planning Area Cloverly-Norwood

Date Last Modified
Required Adequate Public Facility
Relocation Impact
Status

EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000)

Cost Element	Total	Thru FY11	Est FY12	Total 6 Years	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design, and Supervision	535	262	258	15	9	6	0	0	0	0	0
Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Site Improvements and Utilities	2,265	0	280	2,085	1,491	1,494	0	0	0	0	0
Construction	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2,800	262	538	2,000	800	1,500	0	0	0	0	0
State Aid	300	0	0	300	300	0	0	0	0	0	0
G.O. Bonds	800	262	538	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
State ICC Funding (M-NCPPC Only)	2,000	0	0	2,000	500	1,500	0	0	0	0	0
Total	3,100	262	538	2,300	800	1,500	0	0	0	0	0

OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (\$000)

Energy				32	0	8	8	8	8
Maintenance				4	0	1	1	1	1
Offset Revenue				-60	0	-15	-15	-15	-15
Program-Other				105	0	87	6	6	6
Program-Staff				436	0	109	109	109	109
Net Impact				517	0	190	109	109	109
WorkYears					0.0	0.0	1.3	1.3	1.3

DESCRIPTION

The Woodlawn Special Park, located at 16501 Norwood Road at the intersection of Norwood and Ednor Roads in Sandy Spring, Maryland, was purchased in the mid 1970s and is designated as a Montgomery County historic site. The three story stone bank barn, circa 1832, is a significant feature in the 100 acre environmental setting and shares the property with the 1815 Manor House, the Montgomery County Police Helicopter Facility, and the Park Police Kristin M. Pataki Special Operations Training Facility. It possesses high artistic value and in the 1930's was selected for the elite Historic American Building Survey by the Department of the Interior. This project is for design and construction funding to convert the historic barn and adjacent carriage house for use as a visitors center focusing on the themes of the Underground Railroad and the Quaker experience in Montgomery County and the barn as a feature of the County's agricultural landscape. The project includes costs to produce multi media audio visual stories to be projected across interior stone washed walls and spaces to create a unique visitor experience. This project has been selected for ICC Mitigation funding, an Environmental Stewardship Project to enhance cultural resources on park properties.

ESTIMATED SCHEDULE

The design phase of the project has been delayed by scope and scheduling complexities. As a result, the expenditure schedule has been shifted out.

JUSTIFICATION

The 1998 Sandy Spring/Ashton Master Plan identifies the area as one of the most historic in Montgomery County and places special emphasis on protection and preservation of rural traditions. It identifies a Rural Legacy Area south of Route 108 where there is the most significant collection of buildings, sites and farmsteads, including Woodlawn. The property is within the Montgomery County Quaker and Underground Railroad Heritage Cluster, part of the State Certified Heritage Area. The approved Montgomery County Heritage Area Management Plan of November 2002 states that the rehabilitation and conversion of the Woodlawn barn into an interpretive center devoted to the Underground Railroad could provide a strong and memorable introduction to this heritage area theme. It also recommended the establishment of the Rural Legacy Trail (now called the Underground Railroad Experience Trail) to commemorate the area's history. A short term structural stabilization and installation of a fire suppression and alarm system was completed in 2006. From Artifact to Attraction: A Strategic Plan for Cultural Resources in Parks.

FISCAL NOTE

The Maryland State Highway Administration contribution for community stewardship projects for ICC mitigation will fund a portion of this project.

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA	COORDINATION	MAP
Date First Appropriation FY09 (\$000)	Restoration of Historic Structures, PDF #808494 Maryland State Highway Administration Maryland State Historic Preservation Office -- Section 106 and Easement Committees Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services	
First Cost Estimate FY09 2,800		
Current Scope 2,800		
Last FY's Cost Estimate 2,800		
Appropriation Request FY13 0		
Appropriation Request Est. FY14 0		
Supplemental Appropriation Request 300 0		
Transfer 0		
Cumulative Appropriation 2,800		
Expenditures / Encumbrances 486		
Unencumbered Balance 2,314		
Partial Closeout Thru FY10 0		
New Partial Closeout FY11 0		
Total Partial Closeout 0		