

MEMORANDUM

April 30, 2013

TO: Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee

FROM: Stephen B. Farber, Council Staff Director *SBF*

SUBJECT: FY14 Office of Inspector General Budget (continued)
FY14 Compensation – M-NCPPC

Item #2 on the Committee's agenda is a further discussion of the FY14 budget for the Office of Inspector General. Inspector General Edward Blansitt will be present to discuss his April 30 memo requesting \$100,000 in additional FY14 funding. This request relates to his review of issues associated with the Silver Spring Transit Center. See his memo on ©1.

Item #3 on the Committee's agenda is a request from Planning Board Chair Francoise Carrier for an additional expenditure of \$756,962 in the FY14 M-NCPPC budget. This request relates to employee compensation costs associated with negotiations with the Commission's bargaining units. See her April 29 letter on ©2-3.



OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

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TO: Nancy Navarro, President
County Council

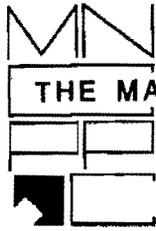
FROM: Edward L. Blansitt, Inspector General

Subject: Request for additional FY 2014 funding in support of Inspector General Review

During the past year I have been reviewing issues related to the Silver Spring Transit Center. I have concluded that there are issues the Office of Inspector General should pursue that are beyond the scope of what other County offices have done or intend to do. The work I envision would require the assistance of forensic accounting specialists and subject matter experts, the cost of which cannot be accommodated within the FY 2014 funding request. Accordingly, I respectfully request that an additional \$100,000 be added to the FY 2014 appropriation for the Office of Inspector General.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

cc: Council Members



THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

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The Honorable Isiah Leggett
Montgomery County Executive
Executive Office Building
101 Monroe Street
Rockville, MD 20850

The Honorable Nancy Navarro
President, Montgomery County Council
Stella B. Warner Council Office Building
100 Maryland Avenue
Rockville, MD 20850

Dear Mr. Leggett and Ms. Navarro:

This letter registers the formal request of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission for an addition to our FY 2014 Proposed Budget that is currently pending Council approval.

Since the development of the Proposed Budget, two things have occurred that impact the total amount requested by the Commission.

- Per the County's OMB, the assessable base estimates have been lowered, resulting in a gap in the property tax revenue assumptions reflected in our original budget proposal.
- Proposed compensation agreements with County bargaining units have triggered wage reopeners with the Commission's bargaining units, and now require an increase to the salary dollar marker reflected in our original budget proposal.

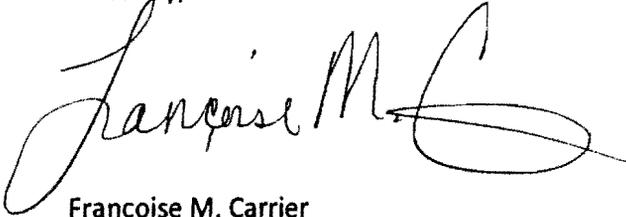
The net result of these impacts is an additional expenditure request of \$756,962 that is necessary to cover employee compensation. This is broken down between funds in the following manner. The second column shows the effect of the decreased property tax projection. The funding source for both adjustments will be the undesignated fund balance of each fund which avoids the need for an incremental increase in the property tax rates.

	Total Expenditure Addition Requested	Decreased Property Tax Projection
Administration Fund	249,640	330,500
Park Fund	430,538	991,600
Property Management Fund	858	
Enterprise Funds	66,459	
Special Revenue Funds	7,218	
Risk Management Fund	<u>2,249</u>	
Total Montgomery County	756,962	1,322,100

Because the budget impact of the Commission's compensation policies and collective bargaining obligations are allocable to both counties, this request for an addition to our Proposed Budget requires the concurrence of both County Councils in accordance with Section 18-106(d) of the Land Use Article of the Maryland Code. We respectfully request your full support for such concurrence.

I would be happy to share further details regarding this request, as you might require.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Françoise M. Carrier". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Françoise M. Carrier
Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board

cc: Patricia Barney, Executive Director, M-NCPPC
Mary Bradford, Director of Parks, M-NCPPC
Rose Krasnow, Acting Director of Planning, M-NCPPC
Joseph Zimmerman, Secretary-Treasurer, M-NCPPC
John Kroll, Corporate Budget Manager, M-NCPPC