
PRESENT

Councilmember Gabe Albornoz, President
Councilmember Will Jawando
Councilmember Nancy Navarro

Councilmember Andrew Friedson
Councilmember Sidney Katz
Councilmember Craig Rice
Councilmember Hans Riemer

ABSENT

Councilmember Evan Glass, Vice President
Councilmember Tom Hucker

The President in the Chair.

DISCUSSION - State Legislative Program - Montgomery County’s Federal Priorities - 2022 and Federal Earmark Requests by County Departments - FY23

Participating in the discussion were Ms. Wenger, Director, and Ms. Morningstar, Federal Relations Coordinator and Legislative Analyst, Office of Intergovernmental Relations (OIR); Mr. Hartman, Director of Strategic Partnerships, and Mr. Lewis, Development Ombudsman, Office of the County Executive (CEX); and Mr. Conklin, Director, Department of Transportation (MCDOT).

Discussed the Executive Branch’s recommendation on Glen Echo Park to be included as a federal priority to transfer the property ownership from the National Park Service to the County, bus transit grant opportunities including zero emissions transit programs, federal funding for local transit initiatives and operations, funding for the Capital Crescent Trail tunnel, transportation demand grant management programs, extending USDA Child Nutrition Waivers, Montgomery College programs such as Nexus Montgomery, Building an Inclusive Healthcare Workforce, funding for youth meal programs, and cybersecurity.
Supported unanimously among those present Mr. Friedson’s motion to include Glen Echo Park in the federal priorities as proposed by the County Executive. Ms. Chen noted that Mr. Glass indicated that he is in support of this measure and would have voted in the affirmative if he was present.

Supported unanimously among those present the Health and Human Services (HHS) priorities as contained in the staff report.

Supported unanimously among those present Mr. Friedson’s motion to include funding and access to the Restaurant Revitalization Fund to the County’s federal priorities.

Supported unanimously among those present Mr. Rice’s motion to include the extension of USDA Child Nutrition Waivers in the County’s federal priorities.

Supported unanimously among those present Mr. Friedson’s motion to accept the staff recommendations to the County’s 2022 federal priorities, as amended, and FY23 federal earmark requests by County departments as contained in the staff report.

The meeting adjourned at 1:02 P.M.

This is an accurate account of the meeting:

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Judy Rupp
Clerk of the Council