



Legacy Open Space

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SubCategory	Acquisition	Administering Agency	M-NCPPC
Planning Area	Countywide	Status	Ongoing

EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Cost Elements	Total	Thru FY20	Rem FY20	Total 6 Years	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23	FY 24	FY 25	FY 26	Beyond 6 Years
Land	91,645	69,682	2,027	10,979	786	2,278	1,900	1,850	1,774	2,391	8,957
Other	8,355	6,516	189	1,500	250	250	250	250	250	250	150
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	100,000	76,198	2,216	12,479	1,036	2,528	2,150	2,100	2,024	2,641	9,107

FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Funding Source	Total	Thru FY20	Rem FY20	Total 6 Years	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23	FY 24	FY 25	FY 26	Beyond 6 Years
Contributions	938	938	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Current Revenue: General	11,934	10,572	132	1,130	200	200	250	250	115	115	100
G.O. Bonds	54,274	34,563	1,651	9,164	436	1,928	1,500	1,500	1,559	2,241	8,896
M-NCPPC Bonds	10,796	8,067	433	2,185	400	400	400	350	350	285	111
PAYGO	17,855	17,855	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
POS-Stateside (M-NCPPC Only)	200	200	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Program Open Space	4,003	4,003	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA (\$000s)

Appropriation FY 22 Request	2,528	Year First Appropriation	FY01
Cumulative Appropriation	79,450	Last FY's Cost Estimate	100,000
Expenditure / Encumbrances	76,277		
Unencumbered Balance	3,173		

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Legacy Open Space initiative identifies open space lands that should be acquired and interpreted because of exceptional natural or cultural value to current and future generations of Montgomery County residents. The project funds acquisition, easement establishment, and make fee-simple purchases of open-space lands of countywide significance. Priorities are updated during each CIP cycle but remain flexible to allow the Montgomery County Planning Board to address development threats, opportunity acquisitions, and joint funding opportunities. The County Council encourages the Commission to seek supplemental appropriations if approved CIP funding is insufficient. Non-County funding sources are expected to contribute significantly to the Legacy Open Space program. Contributions will appear in the PDF Expenditure and Funding Schedules only if the contribution is spent by the County or

M-NCPPC. Donations of land or non-County funded payments that go directly to property owners are not included. The combination of these non-County and County funds have resulted in the successful protection of over 5,300 acres of open space in the County, including over 3,800 acres of new parkland.

COST CHANGE

Beyond Six Year costs increased to maintain the historical project balance of \$100 million. Reduction in FY22 Current Revenue: General from non-recommended reductions, and G.O. Bonds were reduced in FY23-25 and slipped to FY26 for fiscal capacity.

PROJECT JUSTIFICATION

The Vision 2030 Strategic Plan for Parks and Recreation in Montgomery County (2010) and the 2017 Park, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Plan recommend placing priority on conservation of natural open spaces, protection of heritage resources, providing critical urban open spaces, and expanded interpretive activities in parks. Legacy Open Space: Open Space Conservation in the 21st Century, approved by the Montgomery County Planning Board in October 1999. Legacy Open Space Functional Master Plan adopted by the County Council in July 2001.

FISCAL NOTE

FY18 reduction of \$100k in Current Revenue to reflect the FY18 Savings Plan. Modifications reflect Resolution 19-322 that was approved December 10, 2019 after the Department's CIP submission in November, 2019. The resolution provided a transfer of funds to the Acquisition: Non-Local Parks CIP project related to the acquisition of park land in Wheaton. Reduction in FY22 Current Revenue: General and in G.O. Bonds in FY23-25 for fiscal capacity; the G.O. Bonds were slipped to FY26.

DISCLOSURES

Expenditures will continue indefinitely. M-NCPPC asserts that this project conforms to the requirement of relevant local plans, as required by the Maryland Economic Growth, Resource Protection and Planning Act.

COORDINATION

Acquisition: Local Parks 767828, Acquisition: Non-Local Parks 998798, ALARF: M-NCPPC 727007, Bethesda Park Impact Payment PDF 872002, Restoration of Historic Structures 808494, State of Maryland