



**Committee:** Directly to Council  
**Committee Review:** N/A  
**Staff:** Susan J. Farag, Legislative Analyst  
**Purpose:** To receive testimony/final action - vote expected  
**Keywords:** #Amoss Grant, Fire and Rescue

AGENDA ITEM #7  
May 10, 2022  
**Public Hearing/Action**

## SUBJECT

Supplemental Appropriation #22-69 to the County Government's FY22 Operating Budget  
Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service  
FY22 Senator Amoss Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance Fund (State 508) Grant – \$1,937,314  
(Source of Funds: State Grant)

## EXPECTED ATTENDEES

None

## COUNCIL DECISION POINTS & COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

The supplemental appropriation did not go to Committee. Council staff recommends approval.

## DESCRIPTION/ISSUE

This supplemental appropriation is needed to authorize expenditures of \$1,937,314 that will fund acquisition of apparatus and capital equipment, as well as the renovation of facilities used to house apparatus. Funding is provided by the FY22 State Senator William H. Amoss Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance (State 508) Grant Funds. The source of funds is a State grant.

## SUMMARY OF KEY DISCUSSION POINTS

- The funding is from a grant awarded under the State Senator Amoss Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance Fund. An itemized list of the planned distributions is attached on ©6.

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OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Marc Elrich  
*County Executive*

M E M O R A N D U M

April 7, 2022

TO: Gabe Albornoz, President  
Montgomery County Council

FROM: Marc Elrich, County Executive 

SUBJECT: Supplemental Appropriation #22-69, to the FY22 Operating Budget  
Montgomery County Government  
Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service  
FY22 Senator Amoss Fire, Rescue and Ambulance Fund (State 508) Grant,  
\$1,937,314

I am recommending a Supplemental Appropriation to the FY22 Operating Budget of the Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service in the amount of \$1,937,314. The Appropriation will fund the acquisition or rehabilitation of apparatus and capital equipment, and the renovation of facilities used to house apparatus.

This Appropriation is needed to expend the proceeds of the FY22 State of Maryland Senator William H. Amoss Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance (State 508) Fund grant. The Amoss Fund was established to provide fire, rescue, and ambulance services grants to promote high-quality service and the continued financial viability of volunteer fire, rescue, and ambulance companies. This Supplemental Appropriation represents the priorities established by the County Executive and Fire Chief, in coordination with the Montgomery County Volunteer Fire and Rescue Association, to renovate stations and acquire fire and rescue equipment.

I recommend that the County Council approve this Supplemental Appropriation in the amount of \$1,937,314 and specify the source of funds as State Grant.

I appreciate your prompt consideration of this action.

ME:rs

Attachment: Supplemental Appropriation #22-69

c: Earl Stoddard, Assistant Chief Administrative Officer  
Jennifer R. Bryant, Director, Office of Management and Budget  
Michael Coveyou, Director, Department of Finance  
Scott Goldstein, Fire Chief, Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service  
Stanley Sutton, President, Montgomery County Volunteer Fire and Rescue Association  
Eric Bernard, Executive Director, Montgomery County Volunteer Fire and Rescue Association  
Michael Kelley, Division Chief, Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service  
Dominic Del Pozzo, Division Chief, Fiscal Management, Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service  
Rachel Silberman, Acting Manager, Office of Management and Budget

Resolution No: \_\_\_\_\_  
Introduced: \_\_\_\_\_  
Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

**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 #22-69 to the FY22 Operating Budget  
Montgomery County Government  
Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service  
FY22 Senator Amoss Fire, Rescue and Ambulance Fund (State 508) Grant,  
\$1,937,314

**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 has requested the following FY22 Operating Budget appropriation increase for the Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service:

<u>Personnel Services</u>	<u>Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Source of Funds</u>
\$0	\$1,937,314	\$1,937,314	State Grant

3. This increase is to expend the proceeds of the FY22 State of Maryland Senator William H. Amoss Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance (State 508) Fund grant.

4. The Senator William H. Amoss Fire, Rescue and Ambulance (State 508) Fund was established to provide grants for fire, rescue, and ambulance services to promote high-quality service and the continued financial viability of volunteer fire, rescue and ambulance companies. The grant funds are distributed directly to the County on an annual basis and must be distributed to the Local Fire and Rescue Departments no later than two years after the County receives the funds from the State. Local Fire and Rescue Departments are required to spend or encumber Amoss funds within two years of the date that they receive the funds from the County.
5. In accordance with the State Law, grant funds may be used for the acquisition or rehabilitation of apparatus and fire and rescue equipment, and for the renovation of facilities used to house apparatus.
6. In accordance with State procedures, the Fire Chief has consulted with the Montgomery County Volunteer Fire and Rescue Association regarding these needs of the Local Fire and Rescue Departments.
7. This supplemental appropriation represents the priorities established by the Fire Chief, in coordination with the Montgomery County Volunteer Fire and Rescue Association, for the renovation of stations and acquisition of fire and rescue equipment.
8. The County Executive recommends a supplemental appropriation to the FY22 Operating Budget in the amount of \$1,937,314 for Senator Amoss Grant and specifies that the source of funds will be the proceeds from the FY22 Senator William H. Amoss Fire, Rescue and Ambulance (State 508) Fund grant.
9. Notice of public hearing was given, and a public hearing was held.

**Action**

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

1. A supplemental appropriation to the FY22 Operating Budget for the Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service is approved as follows:

<u>Personnel Services</u>	<u>Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Source of Funds</u>
\$0	\$1,937,314	\$1,937,314	State Grant

2. Any funds appropriated in this resolution must be spent or encumbered by each LFRD to which funds are assigned no later than May 1, 2023. Any funds that an LFRD does not encumber or spend by May 1, 2023 automatically revert to the Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service on May 2, 2023. The Fire Chief must reallocate any funds reverted under this provision, consistent with applicable State and County laws, regulations, policies, and guidelines.

This is a correct copy of Council action.

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Judy K Rupp, Clerk of the Council

FY21 Amoss Grant Allocations						
LFRD Name	Apparatus	Support Vehicles	Equipment	Facilities	Total:	Project Description
Bethesda FD - FY21	\$ 50,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 61,335.00	\$ 111,335.00	Ambulance; Dormitory/locker room renovation
Bethesda-CC RS - FY21	\$ 53,500.00	\$ 42,661.00	\$ 36,110.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 167,271.00	Ambulance replacement; Command vehicle; command platform, Radios/repeaters; bathroom renovations
Burtonsville VFD - FY21	\$ 100,000.00	\$ -	\$ 55,697.00	\$ -	\$ 155,697.00	Rescue Squad replacement; hydraulic rescue tools; battery fans for rescue squad
Cabin John Park VFD - FY21	\$ 100,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100,000.00	Engine replacement
Gaithersburg/WG FD - FY21	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 91,200.00	\$ 104,200.00	Station remodel; station camera upgrades; replacement AED
Germantown VFD - FY21	\$ -	\$ 44,232.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 44,232.00	Command vehicle replacement
Glen Echo VFD - FY21	\$ 75,000.00	\$ -	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	\$ 78,000.00	Ambulance replacement; AED device
Hillandale VFD - FY21	\$ -	\$ 60,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 60,000.00	Command vehicle replacement
Hyattstown VFD - FY21	\$ 100,000.00	\$ -	\$ 30,000.00	\$ -	\$ 130,000.00	Replace rescue engine; equipment for rescue engine
Kensington VFD - FY21	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 92,831.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 142,831.00	Ambulance; canteen replacement
Laytonsville VFD - FY21	\$ 100,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 32,000.00	\$ 132,000.00	Tanker/engine replacement; Bay door replacement
Rockville VFD - FY21	\$ 100,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 69,600.00	\$ 169,600.00	Engine; tools; dayroom renovation
Sandy Spring VFD - FY21	\$ 100,000.00	\$ -	\$ 31,000.00	\$ 28,000.00	\$ 159,000.00	Tanker refurbishment; protective membrane for engine room floor; gear washer and dryer
Silver Spring VFD - FY21	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 123,288.50	\$ 123,288.50	Station renovation
Takoma Park VFD - FY21	\$ 123,288.50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 123,288.50	Engine
Upper Montgomery VFD - FY21	\$ 8,572.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 114,282.00	\$ 122,854.00	Rescue support; building addition, security camera system; fuel tank
Wheaton Volunteer RS - FY21	\$ 78,249.00	\$ 40,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 118,249.00	Ambulance; Rescue Squad loan; FAU vehicle replacement; Command vehicle replacement
Total	\$ 1,038,609.50	\$ 279,724.00	\$ 168,807.00	\$ 554,705.50	\$ 2,041,846.00	
Grand Total	\$ 2,041,846.00					