

Resolution No.: 16-148
Introduced: April 10, 2007
Adopted: May 17, 2007

**COUNTY COUNCIL
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**

By: Council President at the Request of the County Executive

SUBJECT: Supplemental Appropriation #07-01 to the FY07 Operating Budget
Montgomery County Government
Board of Elections, \$100,000

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 originally requested the following FY07 Operating Budget appropriation increases for the Board of Elections:

<u>Personnel</u> <u>Services</u>	<u>Operating</u> <u>Expenses</u>	<u>Capital</u> <u>Outlay</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Source</u> <u>of Funds</u>
\$415,500	\$631,140	\$0	\$1,046,640	General Fund Undesignated Reserves

3. This increase is needed because additional expenses were incurred for overtime, temporary workers, print and mail costs due to delays in receipt of materials and equipment from vendors and the State Board of Elections for ballot envelopes, absentee ballots, election judge training manual, and express poll books. In addition, functionality concerns surrounding the new statewide voter registration system (MDVoters) required dual entry of voter registration and absentee voting data. A November 2006 State notice increased the cost of MDVoters by \$91,580, further contributing to the BOE deficit.

4. The County Executive originally recommended a supplemental appropriation to the FY07 Operating Budget in the amount of \$1,046,640 for the Board of Elections and specifies that the source of funds will be General Fund Undesignated Reserves.
5. Notice of public hearing was given, and a public hearing was held on April 24, 2007.
6. The Management and Fiscal Policy Committee held a worksession on April 25, 2007 and recommended approval of the supplemental appropriation request.
7. At a worksession held on May 17, 2007, the Council heard from the Board of Elections that the full appropriation request was unnecessary because of an updated billing statement from the State Board of Elections.

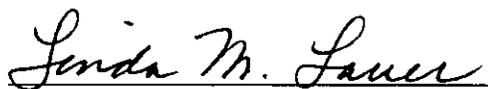
Action

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

A supplemental appropriation to the FY07 Operating Budget of the Board of Elections is approved as follows:

<u>Personnel Services</u>	<u>Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Capital Outlay</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Source of Funds</u>
\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$100,000	General Fund Undesignated Reserves

This is a correct copy of Council action.



 Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council