

#18 – Cable Television Communications Plan

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**COUNTY COUNCIL
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**

By: County Council

SUBJECT: Approval of the FY 2010 Cable Television Communications Plan

Background

1. Section 8A-27(a) of the County Code provides that “All access grants, franchise fees, and other moneys received by the County from any franchisee may be spent only under a budget approved by the Council and in accordance with the County Cable Communications Plan.”
2. Section 8A-27(b) of the County Code provides that “The Cable Communications Plan must be proposed by the County Executive to the Council annually and may be amended at any time.”
3. Section 2.2 of the 2002 AT&T Comcast Transfer Agreement provides that “. . . all provisions of the Franchise Documents remain in full force and effect and are enforceable in accordance with their terms and with applicable law.”
4. Section 7(b) of the 1998 Cable Franchise Agreement, assumed by Comcast from Prime Communications – Potomac, LLC, between the County and SBC Media Ventures, Inc. provides that Comcast must pay a capital grant to the County of “\$200,000 per year . . . to be used by the County, in its sole discretion, for PEG equipment . . . or for PEG-related facilities renovation, or construction.”
5. Section 7(h)(1) of the 1998 Cable Franchise Agreement, assumed by Comcast from Prime Communications – Potomac, LLC, between the County and SBC Media Ventures, Inc. provides that Comcast must pay an annual capital grant to the County of \$1.2 million, adjusted annually by the Consumer Price Index, “to support installation, construction, operations, and maintenance of the County’s FiberNet and associated network equipment, and the Institutional Network . . .”

6. Section 4.1 of the 1998 Cable Franchise Transfer Settlement Agreement, assumed by Comcast from Prime Communications – Potomac, LLC between the County, Prime Communications, and SBC Media Ventures, Inc. provides that Comcast must pay \$1.5 million, adjusted annually by the Consumer Price Index, for PEG support.
7. Section 7(b) of the 1999 Franchise Agreement with Starpower provides that Starpower must pay a capital grant to the County of “3% of Gross Revenues per year . . . excluding revenues arising from Internet Access . . . to be used by the County . . . for PEG access and institutional network purposes, including PEG access equipment, institutional network equipment or for renovation or construction of PEG access or institutional network facilities.”
8. On February 8, 2005 the County Council approved Resolution 15-889, supporting the transfer of interest in Starpower Communications LLC from Pepco Communications to RCN Telecom Services of Washington, D.C., Inc. Starpower is now doing business as RCN.
9. Section 3.3.6 of the 2006 Franchise Agreement with Verizon Maryland, Inc. provides that Verizon must pay \$200,000 within 30 days of the effective date of the Franchise Agreement and \$200,000 per year for four years on the anniversary of the effective date of the Franchise Agreement. In exchange, the County waived its ability to add more locations for cable service for public buildings above Verizon’s obligation to provide 100 connections at the County’s request.
10. Section 6.2 of the 2006 Franchise Agreement with Verizon provides that Verizon must pay a grant to the County of 3 percent of Gross Revenues each quarter to be used “for PEG and institutional network purposes.”
11. Section 8 of the Franchise Agreements with Comcast and RCN and Section 7 of the Franchise Agreement with Verizon provides that each franchisee must pay, for the life of the franchise, a franchise fee of 5 percent of annual gross revenues.

General Provisions

1. **Purpose and Effect:** This Cable Communications Plan constitutes the County’s formal direction for the use of resources required to be provided under Sections 7 and 8 of the Franchise Agreements with Comcast and RCN; Section 4.1 of the 1998 Cable Franchise Transfer Settlement Agreement, assumed by Comcast from Prime Communications – Potomac, LLC between the County, Prime Communications, and SBC Media Ventures, Inc.; and Sections 3, 6, and 7 of the Franchise Agreement with Verizon.

In FY 2010, these resources must be deposited by the County in its Cable TV Special Revenue Fund, and this Cable Communications Plan directs the use of the revenues in this Fund.

2. Spending Authority under the Time Period Governed by This Plan: This Cable Communications Plan provides spending authority for FY 2010. Resources appropriated in FY 2010 that are not encumbered by the County on or before June 30, 2010 must remain in the Cable TV Special Revenue Fund and be available for spending in future years.
3. Carryover: Resources provided to the County as a result of the requirements of the Franchise Agreements with Comcast, RCN, and Verizon, but not specifically allocated in the Cable Communications Plan to the General Fund, must remain in the Cable TV Special Revenue Fund and be available to be allocated in future years.
4. Future Fiscal Years: No estimate shown for any fiscal year after FY 2010 reflects any commitment or decision by the Council, and any such estimate should not be taken as prejudging any decision regarding activities or allocations, either in absolute or relative amounts, of expenditures for future years.
5. Management of Funds: All equipment, personnel, and other resources approved in the Cable Communications Plan for funding from the Cable TV Special Revenue Fund must be managed so that the resources are reasonably available to all users of the cable system and provide benefits to the subscribing public and the franchisee.
6. Affirmative Action and MFD Procurement Procedures: The Board of Directors of Montgomery Community Television, Inc. (MCT) must adopt and follow an Affirmative Action Plan and procedures for procurements from minority-, female-, and disabled-owned businesses (MFD) that take into account both the requirements of the Franchise Agreements with Comcast, RCN, and Verizon and relevant provisions of the County Code.
7. Financial Disclosure: The County must not spend any FY 2010 funds allocated to MCT until all members of the Board of Directors and the Executive Director of MCT have filed a financial disclosure statement with the Ethics Commission for the 2008 calendar year.
8. FY 2011-2016 Cable Plan: The Executive must submit a preliminary six-year Cable Communications Plan for FY 2011 through FY 2016 to the Council no later than January 15, 2010. The Executive submitted a preliminary six-year Cable Communications Plan for FY 2010 through FY 2015 to the Council on January 15, 2009. The Preliminary Cable Communications Plan included: (a) a list of known PEG activities and funding needs for FY 2010 through FY 2015; (b) a preliminary plan for prioritizing PEG funding needs within the context of the County's long-term vision for Cable television; (c) any capital project expenditures proposed to be funded through the plan; (d) changes to approved multi-year expenditures; and (e) updated projections of plan revenues for FY 2010 through FY 2015.

FY 2010 Cable Communications Plan Description

The FY 2010 Cable Communications Plan provides funding for cable franchise administration (Department of Technology Services, County Attorney's Office, and outside professional services); for municipal equipment and support; for public, educational, and government access programming (Office of Public Information, Council, Montgomery College, Montgomery County Public Schools, and Montgomery Community Television, Inc.); and for other miscellaneous cable-related activities.

The attached table details the approved expenditures from the Cable TV Special Revenue Fund for the following purposes in FY 2010:

Franchise Administration

- A. Funds are allocated to the Department of Technology Services to administer the Franchise Agreements with Comcast, RCN, and Verizon, including inspecting construction, testing signal quality, responding to residents' complaints, budgeting franchise fee and grant funds received from the cable operator, managing the contract to provide public access services, supporting an advisory committee, administering Federal Communications Commission rules and regulations, preparing for and negotiating franchise agreements, and advising elected officials on related policy matters.
- B. Funds are allocated to the County Attorney's Office to support the in-house staff costs associated with advising the Department of Technology Services and elected officials on related matters.
- C. Funds are allocated to hire outside professional services to advise or represent the County in areas of specialized telecommunications needs.

Municipal Support

- D. Funds are allocated for sharing franchise fee revenue with the municipal co-franchisors in accordance with the formula in Section 8A-29 of the County Code.
- E. Funds are allocated to support the 3 PEG channels allocated to (1) the City of Rockville; (2) the City of Takoma Park; and (3) the Montgomery County Chapter of the Maryland Municipal League. Funds are allocated from the Capital Equipment Support Grants, according to the requirements of Section 7(b)(1)(B) of the Franchise Agreement with RCN, the requirements of Section 7(b)(2) of the Franchise Agreement with Comcast, and from the PEG Support Fund according to the requirements of Section 4.1 of the 1998 Cable Franchise Transfer Settlement Agreement assumed by Comcast from Prime Communications. Funds are allocated from the PEG Support Fund to the extent that the Participating Municipalities meet all applicable matching-fund requirements in the Settlement Agreement.

County Government Access Programming

- F. Funds are allocated for managing the County Government Channel, maintaining County Government Channel video equipment, closed captioning of County Government programming, and for the operation of the Technical Operations Center to monitor and adjust technical quality of PEG Programming.

Funds are allocated to the Office of Public Information for in-house staff and contractors to produce Executive Branch programming for the County Government Channel.

Funds are allocated to the Council for in-house staff and contractors to produce programming for the Council and Legislative Branch agencies.

Funds are allocated to the Montgomery County portion of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission for contractors to provide cable-related services, including webcasting and services needed to produce programming for the Planning Board and the Parks Department.

Educational Access Programming

- G. Funds are allocated to Montgomery College to produce educational programs and operate a cable channel with in-house staff.
- H. Funds are allocated to Montgomery County Public Schools to produce educational programs for children, parents, and teachers; carry Board of Education meetings; and run other educational programming of interest to County residents. MCPS currently operates two educational access channels on the cable system.

Public Access Programming

- I. Funds are allocated for Montgomery Community Television, Inc., to perform services in FY 2010 specified in its contract with the County, including the following:
- (1) produce and schedule two public access channels, including disseminating information on the daily program schedule;
 - (2) train community producers and technicians in program production and assist residents and community organizations in developing locally produced or locally sponsored programming;
 - (3) provide and maintain a central access studio, field production equipment, and editing facilities for use by community producers in program production;
 - (4) maintain all video equipment provided to MCT or purchased by MCT with cable company or County funds;
 - (5) produce local interest and public affairs programming;

- (6) promote and encourage programming representing a diversity of community interests and needs; and
- (7) perform outreach and create programming in the down-county area.

PEG Network

- J. For FY 2010, funds are allocated for PEG equipment replacement, for an emergency equipment reserve to be used in case of imminent failure of major PEG video systems, for joint PEG programming/promotion, PEG network engineering and administration, closed captioning of select PEG programming, and for PEG programming to provide access to cable by community organizations.

The Council wishes to encourage the most cost-effective operations of the PEG Channels and has directed the PEG Network to enhance the sharing of equipment, facilities, and personnel. All funds appropriated for PEG equipment replacement must be administered by the Office of Cable and Communications Services. Before spending any funds for this purpose, the PEG Network must report to the Council and the Executive on their plans for the purchase and allocation of replacement equipment. The Council intends that preference be given to purchases of equipment and facilities that can be shared by more than one PEG Channel.

The Council encourages the municipal co-franchisors to develop plans for purchasing equipment, using engineering expertise available from the other PEG Channels and the Office of Cable and Communications Services, and acquiring equipment that facilitates the sharing of resources with other PEG channels.

The Office of Cable and Communications Services must not spend funds from the Emergency Equipment Reserve until the PEG Network finds that additional replacement funds are needed to prevent interruption of programming on one or more PEG Channels.

All equipment purchased with Cable Funds, except equipment purchased with Municipal Grant funds or funds allocated to the Village of Friendship Heights under this Plan, must be titled to the Montgomery County Government, which may, under appropriate controls, allocate some of the equipment for use to individual PEG Channels.

Before the PEG Network may spend funds allocated for PEG joint Programming/Promotion, the Network must report its general plans to the Council and the Executive.

Other Expenditures

- K. For FY 2010, funds are allocated to the Village of Friendship Heights for cable programming and equipment expenses.

Institutional Telecommunications

- L. For FY 2010, funds are allocated for Institutional Telecommunications for FiberNet capital improvements and operations. The County's Franchise Agreement with Comcast, assumed from Prime Communications, provides that Comcast must pay grants to support operations, maintenance, and the installation of cables and electronic equipment for the County's FiberNet.

The County plans to expand the FiberNet network to meet the telecommunications needs of County agency facilities. The Department of Technology Services must develop a FiberNet buildout plan that identifies facilities with the greatest need for high-speed voice, data, and video transmissions and for which FiberNet offers lower cost service than private sector telecommunications providers. User agencies must notify the Council before paying any fee to or entering into any agreement with any private provider, if using FiberNet to serve specific facilities is more advantageous to the County. The Council will then consider if adjustments to the funded FiberNet buildout schedule are warranted to avoid paying excessive fees to private providers for telecommunications service to any specific facility.

General Fund Transfers and Repayment Schedule

- M. In FY 2004, \$2,636,000 was appropriated from the Cable TV Special Revenue Fund to the General Fund to finance general government operations. This was the first year that the Executive recommended transferring funds derived from franchise fees for unspecified general government operations.

In FY 2006, the Council allocated \$1,241,000 to fund the County's Automated Traffic Management System.

In FY 2007, the Council allocated \$284,000 to fund technology projects for the Montgomery County portion of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission Operating Budget.

In FY 2009, the Council transferred \$250,000 to the General Fund in order to support County operating expenses, and indicated their desire to ensure that this transfer will improve the technology infrastructure and productivity support for all County departments.

In FY 2010, \$3,235,830 is transferred from the Cable TV Special Revenue Fund to the General Fund to finance general government operations. The Council intends that this transfer will improve the technology infrastructure and productivity support for all County departments.

The FY 2004 General Fund transfer, the FY 2006 funding for the Automated Traffic Management System, and the FY 2007 funding for technology projects for the Montgomery County portion of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission must be repaid without interest according to the following schedule: \$432,000 was paid in FY 2008, \$0 will be paid in FY 2009, and \$0 will be paid in FY 2010. As a part of the FY 2011 Recommended budget, the Executive must propose an amended repayment schedule.

Action

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

The Council approves the attached Cable Communications Plan as described in this resolution and appropriates cable communications grant resources and settlement funds as provided in the Cable Communications Plan and this resolution and any amendments to either that the Council adopts for FY 2010.

This is a correct copy of Council action.



Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council

FY10 CABLE COMMUNICATIONS PLAN (\$000's)

	Actual FY08	Approved FY09	Estimated FY09	Approved FY10	% Chg From '09 Plan	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	3,345	2,502	3,949	2,069	-17.3%	462	318	42	65	18
REVENUES										
5% Franchise Fee	10,664	10,584	10,955	11,280	6.6%	11,618	11,967	12,326	12,696	13,077
G'Burg PEG Contribution	200	201	182	187	-7.0%	193	198	204	210	217
PEG Support	1,938	2,811	2,020	2,080	-26.0%	2,142	2,207	2,273	2,341	2,411
PEG Capital/Equipment	1,370	255	1,932	1,990	680.4%	2,050	2,111	2,175	2,240	2,307
Venzon-Grant	230	200	200	200	0.0%	200	0	0	0	0
FiberNet Support	1,524	1,568	1,589	1,637	4.4%	1,686	1,737	1,789	1,842	1,898
Interest Earned	149	80	40	30	-62.5%	50	80	90	100	110
Tower Review Fees	94	80	120	80	0.0%	82	85	87	90	93
Miscellaneous	64	0	4	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0
Transfer from the General Fund	432	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL ANNUAL REVENUES	16,635	15,779	17,042	17,484	10.8%	18,022	18,385	18,944	19,520	20,112
TOTAL RESOURCES-CABLE FUND	19,980	18,281	20,991	19,553	7.0%	18,484	18,703	18,985	19,585	20,130
EXPENDITURES										
A. FRANCHISE ADMINISTRATION										
Personnel Costs - Cable Administration	575	683	683	705	3.2%	749	763	761	818	833
Personnel Costs - Charges from DTS	52	59	59	69	16.9%	69	70	72	73	75
Personnel Costs - Charges for County Atty	73	97	97	95	-2.1%	95	97	99	101	103
Operating	96	73	73	73	0.0%	73	75	77	80	82
Outside Engineering/Inspection Svcs.	512	720	720	500	-30.6%	721	743	745	788	811
Other Legal and Other Professional Svcs.	295	405	405	310	-23.5%	381	393	404	416	429
SUBTOTAL	1,603	2,037	2,037	1,752	-14.0%	2,088	2,141	2,159	2,276	2,333
B. MUNICIPAL EQUIPMENT & OPERATIONS										
Municipal Franchise Fee Sharing										
Revenues to Municipalities	716	762	789	812	6.6%	837	862	887	914	942
SUBTOTAL	716	762	789	812	6.6%	837	862	887	914	942
Municipal Capital Support (a)										
Rockville Equipment	55	98	265	276	181.6%	284	293	302	311	320
Takoma Park Equipment	185	98	265	276	181.6%	284	293	302	311	320
Municipal League Equipment	185	98	265	276	181.6%	284	293	302	311	320
SUBTOTAL	425	294	795	828	181.6%	853	878	905	932	960
Municipal Operating Support (a)										
Rockville PEG Support	65	67	67	70	4.5%	72	74	76	79	81
Takoma Park PEG Support	65	67	67	70	4.5%	72	74	76	79	81
Muni. League PEG Support	65	67	67	70	4.5%	72	74	76	79	81
SUBTOTAL	195	201	201	211	5.0%	216	223	229	236	243
SUBTOTAL	1,336	1,257	1,785	1,851	47.3%	1,906	1,963	2,022	2,082	2,145
C. COUNTY CABLE MONTGOMERY										
Administration										
Personnel Costs	325	397	397	533	34.3%	560	560	560	560	560
Operating	46	31	31	25	-19.4%	26	27	27	28	29
Technical Operations Center (TOC)	22	23	23	23	0.0%	24	24	25	26	27
Closed Captioning	348	319	319	291	-8.8%	329	338	349	359	370
VOD, Community BB, Web Services	40	48	48	48	0.0%	49	51	52	54	56
SUBTOTAL	781	818	818	920	12.5%	987	1,000	1,013	1,027	1,041
Public Information Office										
Personnel Costs	290	349	349	560	60.5%	593	604	617	629	641
Operating Expenses	17	12	12	12	0.0%	12	13	13	14	14
Contracts - TV Production	315	359	359	273	-24.0%	210	216	216	216	216
SUBTOTAL	622	720	720	845	17.4%	815	834	846	859	872
County Council										
Personnel Costs	42	57	57	74	29.8%	65	67	68	69	71
Operating Expenses	53	48	48	28	-41.7%	29	30	31	32	32
Contracts - TV Production	537	516	516	516	0.0%	531	547	547	547	547
SUBTOTAL	632	621	621	618	-0.5%	626	644	646	648	651
MNCPPC										
Personnel Costs	81	101	101	101	0.0%	103	105	107	109	112
Operating Expenses	101	21	21	21	0.0%	22	22	23	24	24
Contracts - TV Production	108	124	124	117	-5.6%	128	132	132	132	132
Webcasting	0	117	117	47	-59.8%	48	50	51	53	54
SUBTOTAL	290	363	363	286	-21.2%	301	309	313	317	322
SUBTOTAL	2,325	2,522	2,522	2,669	5.8%	2,729	2,786	2,819	2,852	2,885
D. MONTGOMERY COLLEGE										
Personnel Costs	1,000	1,103	1,103	1,141	3.4%	1,334	1,468	1,615	1,615	1,615
Operating Expenses	219	219	219	179	-18.1%	247	255	262	270	278
SUBTOTAL	1,219	1,322	1,322	1,320	-0.2%	1,582	1,722	1,877	1,885	1,893
E. PUBLIC SCHOOLS										
Personnel Costs	1,234	1,339	1,339	1,385	3.4%	1,416	1,448	1,481	1,514	1,514
Operating Expenses	287	244	244	197	-19.5%	282	282	282	282	282
SUBTOTAL	1,521	1,583	1,583	1,582	-0.1%	1,698	1,730	1,763	1,796	1,796

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	Actual FY08	Approved FY09	Estimated FY09	Approved FY10	% Chg From '09 Plan	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15
F. COMMUNITY ACCESS ORGANIZATIONS (b)										
Personnel Costs	1,779	1,871	1,871	1,871	0.0%	2,077	2,160	2,146	2,336	2,429
Operating Expenses	755	781	781	691	-11.5%	856	890	890	926	925
SUBTOTAL	2,534	2,652	2,652	2,562	-3.4%	2,933	3,050	3,036	3,261	3,355
G. PEG NETWORK										
PEG Equipment Replacement	893	900	900	940	4.4%	987	1,036	1,028	1,159	1,216
Emergency Equipment Reserve	0	80	80	80	0.0%	84	88	93	97	102
PEG Network Mobile Production Vehicle	54	82	82	32	-61.0%	34	35	37	39	41
PEG Network Operating	198	275	275	215	-21.8%	236	248	260	273	287
SUBTOTAL	1,145	1,337	1,337	1,267	-5.2%	1,341	1,408	1,418	1,568	1,646
H. INSTITUTIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS										
FiberNet Support (DTS)	1,033	1,232	1,232	1,190	-3.4%	1,708	1,757	1,809	1,820	1,875
FiberNet Support (DPWT)	249	244	244	244	0.0%	251	259	267	275	283
FiberNet-CIP	1,735	1,760	1,760 ⁴	1,041	-40.9%	1,610	1,535	1,460	1,460	1,460
SUBTOTAL	3,017	3,236	3,236	2,475	-23.5%	3,569	3,551	3,536	3,555	3,617
TOTAL EXPENDITURES - PROGRAMS										
	14,700	15,946	16,474	15,477	-2.9%	17,845	18,351	18,628	19,275	19,670
I. OTHER										
Indirect Costs Transfer to Gen Fund	202	253	253 ¹	302	19.4%	253	253	253	253	303
Indirect Costs Transfer to Gen Fund (ERP & MCTime)	0	27	27 ¹	36	34.9%	29	18	0	0	0
Transfer to the General Fund	0	250	250 ⁵	3,236	1194.3%	0	0	0	0	0
Grants to Organizations (Friendship Hts)	39	39	39	39	0.0%	39	39	39	39	39
Consolidated Multiuse Technology Facility	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0
Verizon-Cable Service to Public Buildings	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0
COB Renovations - CIP	0	629	629 ⁴	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0
Park & Planning Technology Projects	0	600	600	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0
SUBTOTAL	241	1,798	1,798	3,613	101.0%	321	310	292	292	342
TOTAL EXPENDITURES										
	14,941	17,744	18,272	19,091	7.6%	18,166	18,661	18,920	19,567	20,012
J. ADJUSTMENTS										
Prior Year Adjustments	(480)	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0
CIP - Designated Claim on Fund	(610)	0	(650)	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS	(1,090)	0	(650)	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0
FUND BALANCE										
	3,949	537	2,069	462	-13.9%	318	42	55	18	118
FUND BALANCE PER POLICY GUIDANCE										
	873	860	889	911		940	971	1,000	1,031	1,062
K. SUMMARY - CABLE FUND										
Total Annual Revenues (incl. transfers from GF)	16,635	15,779	17,042	17,484	10.8%	18,022	18,385	18,944	19,520	20,112
Total Expenditures	(14,941)	(17,744)	(18,272)	(19,091)	7.6%	(18,166)	(18,661)	(18,920)	(19,567)	(20,012)
Annual Fund Surplus/Deficit (Rev - Expend)	1,694	(1,965)	(1,230)	(1,607)	-18.2%	(144)	(277)	24	(47)	100
Transfer to Cable Fund from General Fund	432	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0
Annual Fund S/D Excluding Trans From Gen Fund	1,262	(1,965)	(1,230)	(1,607)	-18.2%	(144)	(277)	24	(47)	100
L. SUMMARY - EXPENDITURES BY FUNDING SOURCE										
¹ Transfer to Gen Fund-Indirect Costs	202	280	280	338	20.9%	282	271	253	253	303
² Transfer to Gen Fund-Mont Coll Cable Fund	1,219	1,322	1,322	1,320	-0.2%	1,582	1,722	1,877	1,885	1,893
³ Transfer to Gen Fund-Public Sch Cable Fund	1,521	1,583	1,583	1,582	-0.1%	1,698	1,730	1,763	1,796	1,796
⁴ Transfer to CIP Fund	1,735	2,389	2,389	1,041	-56.4%	1,610	1,535	1,460	1,460	1,460
⁵ Transfer to the General Fund-Other	0	250	250	3,236	1194.3%	0	0	0	0	0
FUND TRANSFERS OUT SUBTOTAL	4,677	5,824	5,824	7,517	29.1%	5,172	5,258	5,352	5,394	5,452
Net CATV Fund Direct Expenditures	8,928	10,663	10,663	9,723	-8.8%	11,088	11,440	11,546	12,091	12,415
Required Muni. Franchise & PEG Payments	1,336	1,257	1,785	1,851	47.3%	1,906	1,963	2,022	2,082	2,145
CATV FUND DIRECT EXPENDITURES SUBTOTAL	10,264	11,920	12,448	11,574	-2.9%	12,994	13,403	13,568	14,173	14,560
TOTAL EXPENDITURES BY FUNDING SOURCE	14,941	17,744	18,272	19,091	7.6%	18,166	18,661	18,920	19,567	20,012

NOTES:

(a) Municipal franchise fee and PEG capital and operating funding required by franchise, municipal, and settlement agreements and County Code.

(b) Currently Montgomery Community Television, Inc.

*The County is exploring the potential for development of a Multiuse Technology Facility and will include information in future Cable Communications Plans.

These projections for the Cable TV Fund incorporate assumptions of annual resources and resource usage as well as projected end-of-year reserves available based on these assumptions. This scenario assumes that operating expenditures will experience net increases as a trend. Factors contributing to the assumed rate of increase include compensation adjustments, program and productivity improvements, and cost increases driven by inflation. This scenario represents one possible fiscal future based on the incorporated set of expenditure and resource assumptions. Other scenarios would occur if the County Executive and County Council adopted a different program plan or if the future brings different trends than presumed in the incorporated assumptions. The County Executive presents these fiscal projections as a tool for thinking about the future fiscal policy implications of the recommended program of expenditures and resources.