

Resolution No.: 16-1094
 Introduced: July 14, 2009
 Adopted: July 28, 2009

**COUNTY COUNCIL
 FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**

By: Council President at the Request of the County Executive

SUBJECT: Amendment to the FY09-14 Capital Improvements Program and
 Special Appropriation #2-E10-CMCG-2 to the FY10 Capital Budget
 Montgomery County Government
 Department of Transportation
 BRAC Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities (No. 501000), \$750,000

Background

1. Section 308 of the Montgomery County Charter provides that a special appropriation: (a) may be made at any time after public notice by news release; (b) must state that the special appropriation is necessary to meet an unforeseen disaster or other emergency or to act without delay in the public interest; (c) must specify the revenues necessary to finance it; and (d) must be approved by no fewer than six members of the Council.
2. Section 302 of the Montgomery County Charter provides that the Council may amend an approved capital improvements program at any time by an affirmative vote of no fewer than six members of the Council.
3. The County Executive recommends the following capital project appropriation increases:

<u>Project Name</u>	<u>Project Number</u>	<u>Cost Element</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Source of Funds</u>
BRAC Bicycle & Pedestrian Facilities	501000	PDS	<u>\$750,000</u>	
TOTAL			\$750,000	Federal Aid

4. The 2005 Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) recommendations moved to establish the new Walter Reed National Military Medical Center on the Bethesda, Maryland campus of the present National Naval Medical Center by September 2011. Specific changes at the Bethesda campus will include construction and renovation of the clinical hospital and administrative space where approximately 2,200 additional medical and administrative personnel will join the staff, which will impact the transportation infrastructure in the surrounding area.

This amendment and special appropriation is needed to obtain spending authority for a Federal grant awarded to the County to plan and study transportation mode improvements and safe pedestrian and bicycle facilities for citizens residing in surrounding urban neighborhoods and persons commuting to the site. This grant has been awarded in accordance with the Office of Economic Adjustment (OEA) Department of Defense Community Planning Assistance Funds Grant Agreement (Bethesda NNMC Federal Identifier RA0625-09-03) on behalf of the Department of Defense.

5. The County Executive recommends an amendment to the FY09-14 Capital Improvements Program and a special appropriation in the amount of \$750,000 for BRAC Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities (No. 501000), and specifies that the source of funds will be Federal Aid.
6. Notice of public hearing was given and a public hearing was held.

Action

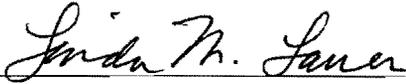
The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland, approves the following actions:

1. The FY09-14 Capital Improvements Program of the Montgomery County Government is amended as reflected on the attached project description form and a special appropriation is approved as follows:

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TOTAL			\$750,000	Federal Aid

2. The County Council declares that this action is necessary to act without delay in the public interest and that this appropriation is needed to meet the emergency.

This is a correct copy of Council action.



 Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council

Attachment to Resolution No. 16-1094 BRAC Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities -- No. 501000

Category
Subcategory
Administering Agency
Planning Area

Transportation
Pedestrian Facilities/Bikeways
Transportation
Bethesda-Chevy Chase

Date Last Modified
Required Adequate Public Facility
Relocation Impact
Status

July 01, 2009
Yes
None.
Planning Stage

EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000)

Cost Element	Total	Thru FY08	Rem. FY08	Total 5 Years	FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	Beyond 5 Years
Planning, Design, and Supervision	750	0	0	750	0	750	0	0	0	0	0
Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Site Improvements and Utilities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Construction	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	750	0	0	750	0	750	0	0	0	0	0

FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000)

Federal Aid	750	0	0	750	0	750	0	0	0	0	0
Total	750	0	0	750	0	750	0	0	0	0	0

DESCRIPTION

This project provides for the planning and preliminary engineering of a bikeway network and addition of pedestrian facilities surrounding the National Naval Medical Center (NNMC) in Bethesda, Maryland due to Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC).

The BRAC study will analyze connectivity, smooth transition to the transportation pedestrian and bicycle network, preliminary engineering for the facilities, and a signing bicycling plan within adjacent neighborhoods. A review of the site and local master plans for impacts to pedestrians, bicycles and the requirements of the ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act of 1991) will be performed and addressed by this project. It will include provisions to provide additional safe pedestrian/bicycle facilities such as master planned bike paths, sidewalks, signing, pavement markings, lighting, bus stop pads, minor landscaping, and other pertinent issues to ensure pedestrian and bicycle safety.

The final scope of work will be coordinated with local communities and property owners before final design and construction plans are developed for the following components:

1. East and West Cedar Lane Bike Path SR-54 [Old Georgetown Road to Beach Drive] - The off road bike path for the north side of East Cedar Lane begins at Wisconsin Avenue (MD 355) and ties to an existing path which continues to Beach Drive. The off-road bike path for the south side of West Cedar Lane begins at Old Georgetown Road (MD 187) and continues to Wisconsin Avenue (MD 355). *Rockville Pike*
2. Battery Lane Area Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements [Battery Park-MD 355] and Glenbrook Parkway Pedestrian/Bicycle Safety Improvements [MD 355 to Jones Bridge Road] - Both projects will provide improved safety on existing sidewalks and bike paths with provisions for sidewalk repairs, lighting and improved directional signing.
3. Wisconsin Avenue (MD 355) SP-62 [East Cedar Lane to Jones Bridge Road] - This project provides an off-road bike path along the east side, as a relocation or expansion of the existing sidewalk.
4. Jones Bridge Road BL-9 [MD 355 to Naval Uniformed Services Univ. of the Health Sciences Entrance at 4301 Jones Bridge Road] - This project provides 5 foot wide bike lanes along the north and south side of Jones Bridge Road or an off road bike path.

CAPACITY

The implementation of this grant will provide a specific program for improved and safer access to the National Naval Medical Center (NNMC) campus by adding bicycle and pedestrian routes.

JUSTIFICATION

The 2005 Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) recommendations moved to establish the new Walter Reed National Military Medical Center (WRNMMC) to be a tri-service military medical center located on the Bethesda, Maryland campus of the present National Naval Medical Center (NNMC) by September 2011. Specific changes at the realigned Bethesda campus will include construction and renovation of approximately 2,400,000 square feet of clinical hospital and administrative space where approximately 2,200 additional medical and administrative personnel from the Army and Air Force will join the staff. The additional jobs created and medical services provided will have impact on the transportation infrastructure. Federal money has been granted to the County to plan and study priority alternative transportation mode improvements and safe pedestrian and bicycle facilities for citizens residing in surrounding urban neighborhoods and persons commuting to the site.

OTHER

A pedestrian safety analysis has been completed for this project.

FISCAL NOTE

The County's funding match requirement of \$92,740 will be met by contributions from existing County staff whose personnel costs are already appropriated in the FY10 Operating Budget. The FY10 special appropriation request is in accordance with the Office of Economic Adjustment (OEA) Department of Defense

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA			COORDINATION	MAP
Date First Appropriation	FY10	(\$000)	Bethesda Chevy Chase Regional Services Center (BCC)	See Map on Next Page
First Cost Estimate	FY10	750	Bethesda Urban Partnership	
Current Scope	FY10	750	Montgomery Bicycle Action Group (MCBAG)	
Last FY's Cost Estimate		0	Montgomery Bike (MOBIKE)	
Appropriation Request	FY10	0	Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission	
Supplemental Appropriation Request		750	Maryland State Highway Administration	
Transfer		0	Bethesda CBD Streetscaping	
Cumulative Appropriation		0	Maryland Mass Transit Administration	
Expenditures / Encumbrances		0	Washington Metropolitan Transit Authority (WMATA)	
Unencumbered Balance		0	Base Realignment & Closure (BRAC)	
Partial Closeout Thru	FY07	0	Office of Economic Adjustment (OEA)	
New Partial Closeout	FY08	0	North Bethesda Transportation Management District (NBTMD)	
Total Partial Closeout		0	National Institutes of Health (NIH)	
			National Naval Medical Center (NNMC)	

BRAC Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities -- No. 501000 (continued)

Community Planning Assistance Funds Grant Agreement (Bethesda NNMC Federal Identifier RA0625-09-03) with the County on behalf of the Department of Defense.