

Resolution: 16-42
Introduced: February 6, 2007
Adopted: February 6, 2007

**COUNTY COUNCIL
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**

By: County Council

SUBJECT: Spending Affordability Guidelines for the FY 2008 Aggregate Capital Budget

Background

1. Emergency Bill 29-91 established a procedure for setting the Spending Affordability Guidelines for the aggregate capital budget, as required by the amendment to Section 305 of the Charter which the voters approved in November 1990. This procedure was amended by Emergency Bill 31-97, reflecting the biennial capital improvements program process required by the amendment to Section 302 of the Charter which the voters approved in November 1996.
2. The legislation requires the Council to set six guidelines, which are listed in the Action section.
3. The legislation lists a number of economic and financial factors which should be considered, requires a public hearing before the Council adopts guidelines, and requires that the Council adopt guidelines by resolution no later than the first Tuesday in October in odd-numbered years. A public hearing was held on September 20, 2005, and guidelines were adopted on September 27, 2005 in Resolution #15-1158.
4. On February 7, 2006 the Council adopted Resolution #15-1327 amending the guidelines for total general obligation debt issued by the County for fiscal years 2007 and 2008 from \$240 million to \$264 million in each year, and for fiscal years 2007 through 2012 from \$1,440 million to \$1,458 million.
5. The guidelines reflect adjustments for unprogrammed projects, inflation and implementation rates.

Action

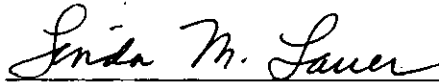
The County Council for Montgomery County approves the following resolution:

The Council amends Resolution #15-1327 to amend the guidelines for total general obligation debt issued by the County for fiscal years 2007 and 2008 from \$264 million to \$275 million in each year, and for fiscal years 2007 through 2012 from \$1,458 million to \$1,650 million. The Council confirms the other three guidelines adopted in Resolution #15-1327. Therefore, the Council sets the following final guidelines for the fiscal year 2008 aggregate capital budget:

1. The total general obligation bond debt issued by the County that may be planned for Expenditure in fiscal year 2007; \$275 million
2. The total general obligation bond debt issued by the County that may be planned for Expenditure in fiscal year 2008; \$275 million

3. The total general obligation bond debt issued by the County that may be approved under the capital improvements program for fiscal years 2007-2012; \$1,650 million
4. The total amount of debt, except refunding bonds, issued by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission that may be planned for expenditure in fiscal year 2007 for projects in the County; \$3.5 million
5. The total amount of debt, except refunding bonds, issued by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission that may be planned for expenditure in fiscal year 2008 for projects in the County; and \$4.0 million
6. The total amount of debt, except refunding bonds, issued by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission that may be approved under the capital improvements program for fiscal years 2007-2012. \$23.5 million

This is a correct copy of Council action.



Linda M. Lauer, CMC, Clerk of the Council