

Council Resolution 19-2026 Fiscal Analysis

Introduced: January 5, 2026

Fiscal Manager: Yusef Ibrahim

Legislative Intent: Resolution 19-2026 was introduced to adopt a comprehensive revision of the Howard County Landscape Manual to replace the existing standards and update landscaping requirements to reflect current best practices, County policies, and development conditions.

ANALYSIS

Fiscal Impact:

The proposed resolution is not expected to have a fiscal impact on the County's operating or capital budgets. According to the Department of Planning and Zoning, implementation of the updated Landscape Manual will be carried out using existing staff and resources. No additional resources are anticipated to be needed arising from the implementation of adopting the revised manual.

Budget Implications:

FY 2026 Operating Budget Line¹: Total General Fund Budget (\$8,785,752)

No changes to the FY 2026 Operating Budget are anticipated due to this resolution. Existing Department of Planning and Zoning appropriations are sufficient to administer and enforce the updated Landscape Manual.

Other Notes: None

¹ Page 158 in HC FY26 Approved Operating Budget