

Introduced 05.04.2026  
Public Hearing 05.18.2026  
Council Action 05.20.2026  
Executive Action 05.26.2026  
Effective Date 05.26.2026

**County Council of Howard County, Maryland**

2026 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 6

**Supplementary Budget & Appropriation Ordinance**

**No. 1- Fiscal Year 2026**

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

Short Title: Supplementary Budget and Appropriation Ordinance – Department of Public Works - \$1,000,000

Title: AN ACT transferring \$1,000,000 from the General Fund, Contingency Reserve to the Department of Public Works for unanticipated expenses related to snow removal.

Introduced and read first time May 4, 2026. Ordered posted and hearing scheduled.  
By order Michelle Harrod  
Michelle Harrod, Administrator

Having been posted and notice of time & place of hearing & title of Bill having been published according to Charter, the Bill was read for a second time at a public hearing on May 18, 2026.  
By order Michelle Harrod  
Michelle Harrod, Administrator

This Bill was read the third time on May 20, 2026 and Passed , Passed with amendments \_\_\_\_\_, Failed \_\_\_\_\_.  
By order Michelle Harrod  
Michelle Harrod, Administrator

Sealed with the County Seal and presented to the County Executive for approval this 22 day of May, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.  
a.m./p.m.  
By order Michelle Harrod  
Michelle Harrod, Administrator

Approved by the County Executive May 26, 2026  
Calvin Ball  
Calvin Ball, County Executive

NOTE: [[text in brackets]] indicates deletions from existing law; TEXT IN SMALL CAPITALS indicates additions to existing law; ~~Strike-out~~ indicates material deleted by amendment; Underlining indicates material added by amendment.

1           **WHEREAS**, Section 610(a) of the Howard County Charter authorizes and  
2 empowers the Howard County Council to make supplementary appropriations from the  
3 unexpended and unencumbered funds set aside for contingencies in the County budget;  
4 and

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6           **WHEREAS**, the County has incurred unanticipated expenses for snow removal  
7 since the budget for Fiscal Year 2026 was adopted; and

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9           **WHEREAS**, the County Executive is requesting the authorization to transfer  
10 \$1,000,000 from the General Fund, Contingency Reserve to the Department of Public  
11 Works to cover expenses for snow removal; and

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13           **WHEREAS**, the Director of Finance has certified that the appropriation to be  
14 transferred is not encumbered and is available for transfer.

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16       ***Section 1. Be It Enacted** by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland, that the*  
17 *following supplementary and transfer of appropriation of funds is authorized and approved*  
18 *for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027, as indicated below:*

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20       **Donor Account:**

21       **General Fund, Contingency Reserve**

22       **1999999999-8888-8888000000-9999999999999999999900**

23           FY26 Appropriation before transfer	\$1,000,000
24           Less transfer to Department of Public Works	<u>(1,000,000)</u>
25           FY26 Appropriation after transfer	\$0

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27       **Recipient Account:**

28       **Department of Public Works: Highways Maintenance**

29       **1000000000-3100-3122000000-9999999999999999999900**

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31           FY26 Appropriation before transfer

	\$20,779,289
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1	Plus transfer from General Fund, Contingency Reserve	<u>\$1,000,000</u>
2	FY26 Appropriation after transfer	\$21,779,289

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4 ***Section 2. And Be It Further Enacted by the County Council of Howard County,***  
5 *Maryland that this Supplementary Budget and Appropriation Ordinance shall be effective*  
6 *upon its enactment.*



  
**Howard County**  
*Internal Memorandum*

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**Subject:** Testimony and Fiscal Impact Statement

**To:** Brandee Ganz  
County Administrative Officer

**From:** Yosef Kebede, Director  
Department of Public Works

Initial  


**Date:** April 21, 2026

The Department of Public Works requests the transfer of 1,063,629 for unanticipated expenses for snow removal in the Bureau of Highways. We have exceeded our budget by \$1,083,715 through eight snow/weather events.

Thank you for your consideration. Should you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me.

Enc: FY26 Bureau of Highways Snow Removal Report

cc: Kris Jagarapu, Chief, Bureau of Highways  
John Seefried, Chief, Organizational Development  
Jennifer Sager, Legislative Coordinator  
Brook Mamo, Deputy Budget Administrator, Office of Budget  
Lori Buchman, Senior Budget Analyst, Office of Budget

Enclosure accompanying Testimony and Fiscal Impact Statement

**Bureau of Highways**

**FY-2026 - Winter Season Estimated Costs (Storm 1-8)**

GL	Description	Original Budget	YTD Oblig	Estimated Remaining	Total	Surplus/Deficit
500100	Salary Regular	0	362	0	362	(362)
500160	Shift Diff	0	0	0	0	0
500900	Snow Overtime	235,000	451,379	0	451,379	(216,379)
501100	Benefits - FICA	17,980	34,660	0	34,660	(16,680)
510210	Telecommunications Wireless	0	18,850	0	18,850	(18,850)
511825	Snow Equipment Maintenance	75,000	44,311	0	44,311	30,689
513200	Lodging	0	12,122	0	12,122	(12,122)
513300	Meals - Snow	0	452	100	552	(552)
513900	Other Travel Expenses	0	2,498	100	2,598	(2,598)
515900	Snow Other Contractual Services	450,000	1,214,397	0	1,214,397	(764,397)
518060	Snow Rental Other	175,000	308,780	0	308,780	(133,780)
520100	Office Supplies	0	3,073	0	3,073	(3,073)
521500	Snow Food Purchases	24,000	20,563	5,007	25,570	(1,570)
521720	Household Supplies	0	1,536	0	1,536	(1,536)
521730	Snow Hardware & Related Suppl	60,000	18,325	0	18,325	41,675
521790	Other Facility Equipment and Suppl	0	0	0	0	0
522190	Snow Other Vehicle Equipment/Sup	30,000	3,765	0	3,765	26,235
522200	Road Maint Eq & Sup	0	1,308	0	1,308	(1,308)
522220	Snow Removal Supplies	824,457	424,499	431,065	855,564	(31,107)
522233	Calcium	22,000	0	0	0	22,000
530500	Capital Outlay	0	0	0	0	0
	<b>FY-2026 Totals</b>	1,913,437	2,560,880	436,272	2,997,152	(1,083,715)

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, having been approved by the Executive and returned to the Council, stands enacted on May 26, 2026.

Michelle R. Harrod  
Michelle R. Harrod, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, having been passed by the yeas and nays of two-thirds of the members of the Council notwithstanding the objections of the Executive, stands enacted on \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

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Michelle R. Harrod, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, having received neither the approval nor the disapproval of the Executive within ten days of its presentation, stands enacted on \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

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Michelle R. Harrod, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, not having been considered on final reading within the time required by Charter, stands failed for want of consideration on \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

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Michelle R. Harrod, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, having been disapproved by the Executive and having failed on passage upon consideration by the Council stands failed on \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

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Michelle R. Harrod, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, the withdrawal of which received a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Council, is withdrawn from further consideration on \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

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Michelle R. Harrod, Administrator to the County Council