

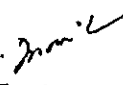



Howard County

Internal Memorandum

Subject: *Testimony for Council Resolution in Support of the Supplementary Budget and Appropriation Ordinance No. 5*

To: *Lonnie R. Robbins
Chief Administrative Officer*

Through: *Marsha McLaughlin, Director* 
Department of Planning and Zoning

From: *Stephen Lafferty* 

Date: *December 14, 2012*

The Department of Planning and Zoning (“the Department”) supports the transfer of \$50,000 from the Grants Fund to the Department for the Ellicott City Façade Improvement Program.

This transfer request is for \$50,000 to establish the Ellicott City Façade Improvement Program. Howard County was notified that it was a successful applicant for these funds from the Community Legacy Program on November 28.

This new initiative will help building owners enhance and improve their historic structures. It will provide a match of up to 50% for the cost of repairs and renovations to historic commercial buildings in the Ellicott City Historic District. These funds will be made to owners in the form of grants up to \$10,000 and will be administered in conjunction with applications to the Historic District Commission (“HDC”). Departmental staff will manage and administer the program. This initiative is one that was recommended by merchants as a way to encourage physical improvements and was identified in the County’s Sustainable Communities application as an action item.

This Supplemental Appropriation is necessary since the grant application was not anticipated when the department’s FY 13 budget being developed and then approved. Having been successful in the competition for Community Legacy funds for Ellicott City, a transfer is needed to allow the program to begin. Funds in this account will be reimbursed by the State’s Community Legacy Program.

Please contact Stephen Lafferty at x4302 if you have any questions.

cc: Jessica Feldmark, Chief of Staff



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December 12, 2012

To: Lonnie R. Robbins
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From: Stanley J. Milesky
Director of Finance

Re: SAO No. 5 Certification

I hereby certify that funds are unencumbered and available for transfer as follows:

FROM:

2600099999-8888-8888000000-9999999999999999999900	
Grants Fund, Contingency Reserve	\$50,000

TO:

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Ellicott City Façade Improv.	\$50,000

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