Office of the County Auditor Auditor's Analysis

Council Resolution No. 43-2021

Introduced: March 1, 2021 Auditors: Maya Cameron and Ed Shulder

Fiscal Impact:

There is no fiscal impact of this proposed legislation, as this is a request to the County Executive to implement a Shared Streets Program. The legislation does not require any changes and therefore does not impact County revenue or expense.

Purpose:

The purpose of this resolution is to encourage the County Executive, in coordination with the Office of Transportation, to take a number of actions to implement a Shared Streets Program.

The intent of the Shared Streets Program is to:

- 1. Promote the health and well-being of Howard County residents; and
- 2. Support economic recovery during the current public health state of emergency.

Other Comments:

If the County Executive chooses to implement a Shared Streets Program as envisioned by this resolution, County expenditures may increase for costs associated with lane closures (such as the cost of temporary barricades), street markings to identify use, and signage installation necessary to direct traffic for motor vehicles, cyclists, and pedestrians. The County may incur additional costs for traffic enforcement in the designated areas.