

SUBJECT: Council Testimony and Fiscal Impact Statement

Re: Howard County Police Supervisor's Alliance, Lodge 143

TO: Brandee Ganz

Chief Administrative Officer

FROM: Raul Delerme

Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

Jamar Herry

Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

DATE: April 24, 2024

The Administration supports and urges the passage of Council Bill XX-2024 which relates to the approval of a two-year agreement and the adoption of conflicting provisions contained in the negotiated collective bargaining agreement with the Howard County Police Supervisor's Alliance, Lodge 143 for fiscal years 2025 and 2026.

The bill is submitted to the County Council pursuant to Section 1.lll(e) of the Howard County Code in order for the Council to approve agreed upon provisions in the collective bargaining agreement that conflict with the personnel provisions of the County Code and the Employee Manual.

Exhibit 1 to the Bill is the negotiated agreement in its entirety. Exhibit 2 of the Bill contains all provisions determined to be in conflict with the Pay Plan and Employee Manual. The purpose is to give the Council a comprehensive assessment of the differences between the collective bargaining agreement negotiated with these employees and the County's personnel provisions.

The negotiated agreement with the Howard County Police Supervisor's Alliance, Lodge 143 provides that it will have a term from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026. The agreement includes a 1% across the board COLA effective July 1, 2024, a 3% across the board COLA effective January 1, 2025, a 1% across the board COLA effective July 1, 2025, a 3% across the board COLA effective January 1, 2026. The agreement also provides for, but is not limited to, a disability leave incentive program, notification of Internal Affairs File Public Information Requests, and work period adjustments.

The fiscal impact in FY 2025 is approximately \$440,000.