



**Maryland Department of Planning
Fiscal Year 2021 Capital Budget
Response to Department of Legislative Services Budget Analysis**

**Senate Budget & Taxation Committee
Capital Budget Subcommittee
Senator Douglas J.J. Peters, Chair
February 11, 2020**

**House Appropriations Committee
Capital Budget Subcommittee
Delegate Mark Chang, Chair
February 13, 2020**

PAYGO Recommended Actions

1. *Approve the Governor's allowance of \$300,000 in special funds for the Maryland Historical Trust Revolving Loan Fund.*

Planning Response: Concur

2. *Approve the Governor's allowance of \$9,000,000 in general funds for the Historic Revitalization Tax Credit Program (formerly the Maryland Heritage Structure Rehabilitation Tax Credit Program).*

Planning Response: Concur

GO Bond Recommended Actions

1. *Approve the \$215,000 general obligation bond authorization for the Maryland Archeological Conservation Laboratory Expansion and Renovation project to continue design of improvements to the Maryland Archeological Conservation Laboratory at the Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum.*

Planning Response: Concur

2. *Delete the \$4,590,000 general obligation bond authorization for the Patterson Center Renovations Project.*

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<u>Allowance</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Authorization</u>
4,590,000	-\$4,590,000	0

Explanation: Delete the \$4,590,000 general obligation bond authorization for the Patterson Center Renovations project. The fiscal 2020 Dedicated Purpose Account (DPA) general fund appropriation includes funding for the project but the funding has not been released. The Department of Legislative Services recommends a separate Budget Reconciliation and Financing Act provision to reduce the transfer of funding from the DPA in fiscal 2020 by the \$4,590,000 needed for the Patterson Center Renovations project.

Planning Response: Do not concur. The Department of Planning recommends keeping the \$4,590,000 of GO Bonds in FY21 because the Administration will not release the FY20 fenced funds. Authorizing new GO bonds is the only way to assure that the project will proceed. Unlike other state-owned property, the state has obligations under the Trust Agreement that includes a responsibility to preserve the Patterson House and the 530 acres for public use in accordance with Mrs. Patterson’s wishes.

3. *Approve the \$1,000,000 general obligation bond authorization for the African American Heritage Preservation Grant Program to assist in the protection of properties with cultural and historic significance to the African American community.*

Planning Response: Concur

4. *Approve the \$600,000 general obligation bond authorization for the Maryland Historical Trust Capital Grant Fund for historical preservation and museum assistance.*

Planning Response: Concur

5. *Approve the deauthorization of \$999,828 in general obligation (GO) bonds for the St. Leonard’s Creek Shoreline Erosion Control project. The fiscal 2017 capital budget bill included \$3,091,000 to design and construct shoreline erosion control measures and other improvements along St. Leonard’s Creek at Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum. The project came in under budget, so the unused GO bond authorization is being repurposed for other projects.*

Planning Response: Concur

Budget Reconciliation and Financing Act Recommended Actions

1. *The Department of Legislative Services recommends a separate Budget Reconciliation and Financing Act provision to reduce the transfer of funding from the Dedicated Purse Account in fiscal 2020 by the \$4,590,000 needed for the Patterson Center Renovations project.*

Planning Response: Do not concur. The Department of Planning recommends keeping the \$4,590,000 of GO Bonds in FY21 because the Administration will not release the FY20 fenced funds. Authorizing new GO bonds is the only way to assure that the project will proceed. Unlike other state-owned property, the state has obligations under the Trust Agreement that includes a responsibility to preserve the Patterson House and the 530 acres for public use in accordance with Mrs. Patterson's wishes.