



ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

**County Board Agenda Item
Meeting of April 25, 2009**

DATE: April 24, 2009

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2010 County Budget Resolution and Appropriations Resolution

C. M. RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Adopt the attached FY 2010 County Budget Resolution (Attachment I).
2. Adopt the attached FY 2010 County Appropriations Resolution (Attachment II).
3. Adopt the FY 2010 Guidance to the County Manager (Attachment III).
4. Authorize the County Manager to negotiate and sign grant agreements with non-profits that result from FY 2010 budget appropriations, with the approval of the County Attorney.

ISSUE: Whether to adopt the FY 2010 budget and appropriate funding.

SUMMARY: The budget resolution formally adopts the budget for FY 2010 and the appropriation resolution is required before the money can be spent.

DISCUSSION: The County Manager proposed a Fiscal Year 2010 budget to the County Board on February 24, 2009. After a lengthy public review process that included work sessions, public hearings, input from residents, employees, boards and commissions, and updated revenue forecasts based on the mid-year and third quarter updates, the County Board, after deliberations, has approved a balanced budget for FY 2010. The General Fund budget is balanced at a real estate tax rate of \$0.865 per \$100 of assessed value (an additional \$0.01 is levied for the Stormwater Fund). The budget continues funding for core County services and Arlington Public Schools, and provides additional funding for capital infrastructure, human services and other policy priorities. In addition to numerous adjustments to the County Manager's Proposed FY 2010 budget, the County Board has outlined its intent for a number of the budget adjustments made for the FY 2010 adopted budget. This guidance can be found in Attachment III in this report.

The FY 2010 budget includes grant funding for non-profits. These grants are awarded in accordance with established County regulations and procedures, and disbursed throughout the year. Since these funds will have already been appropriated by the Board to be spent on non-profits, this authorization would allow the County Manager to sign agreements, with the County Attorney's approval, and without a need for individual board reports requesting permission on each grant contract.

FISCAL IMPACT: The FY 2010 budgeted expenditures are balanced within projected revenues.

County Manager: _____

County Attorney: _____

Staff: Mark Schwartz, Chief Financial Officer, Department of Management and Finance
Richard Stephenson, Budget Director, Department of Management and Finance

FISCAL YEAR 2010 COUNTY BUDGET RESOLUTION

Be it resolved by the County Board of Arlington County, Virginia, that the following Budget is hereby adopted for the Fiscal Year 2010 and that any surplus for general County purposes remaining at the end of the Fiscal Year shall return to the General Fund of the County.

GENERAL FUND:

County Board	\$1,065,787
County Manager	4,696,404
Management and Finance	5,311,828
Technology Services	14,002,464
Human Resources	7,248,751
County Attorney	2,411,718
Circuit Court	3,186,329
General District Court	348,213
Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court	5,356,229
Commonwealth's Attorney	3,820,272
Sheriff	34,390,399
Commissioner of the Revenue	5,024,428
Treasurer	5,999,486
Electoral Board	763,796
Office of Emergency Management	8,181,752
Police	57,257,934
Fire	46,871,624
Environmental Services	70,215,879
Human Services	109,716,363
Libraries	12,254,204
Economic Development	3,151,449
Community Planning, Housing & Development	9,295,763
Parks, Recreation & Cultural Resources	33,585,177
Non-Departmental	57,985,849
Debt Service	53,697,976
Regionals / Contributions	7,999,333
METRO	20,518,770
	\$584,358,177

TOTAL GENERAL FUND BUDGET:
OTHER OPERATING FUNDS:

Travel & Tourism Promotion	\$1,389,098
Utilities	76,158,417
Rosslyn Business Improvement District	3,100,000
Crystal City Business Improvement District	2,219,885
Community Development	1,775,816
Section 8 Housing Assistance	15,778,069
Automotive Equipment	495,611
CPHD Development Fund	12,686,723
Stormwater Management Fund	5,764,916
Transportation Fund	21,038,453
Printing	225,349
Jail Industries	-
Ballston Parking Garage	4,850,142
Ballston Parking Garage - 8th Level	44,340
	\$145,526,819

TOTAL OTHER OPERATING FUNDS BUDGET:

Utilities Capital Outlay	\$14,174,510
General Capital Outlay	9,542,709
Subtotal	\$23,717,219

TOTAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT BUDGET:
\$753,602,215

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Facilities to be expended on order of the School Board

School Operating Fund	\$356,619,049
School Comprehensive Services Act Fund	3,650,000
School Capital Projects Fund	4,611,669
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School Food Services Fund	6,708,286
School Grants & Restricted Programs Fund	<u>18,594,176</u>
Total School and other funds appropriations	\$424,276,247
Total Community Activities Fund	\$14,320,253
TOTAL BUDGET FOR COUNTY	\$1,192,198,715
GENERAL FUND REVENUES:	
Real Estate Tax	\$494,089,553
Personal Property Tax	92,498,049
Business License Tax	58,297,761
Other Local Taxes	124,553,124
Licenses, Permits and Fees	8,390,055
Fines	9,389,600
Interest, Rents	10,598,994
Charges for Services	42,304,339
Miscellaneous	949,239
State Revenue	64,292,481
Federal Revenue	18,207,424
Other Transfers In	3,037,500
Prior Year Balance	<u>20,152,964</u>
TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUES:	\$946,761,083
Total Other Operating Fund Revenues	\$245,437,632
TOTAL REVENUES FOR COUNTY	\$1,192,198,715

FISCAL YEAR 2010 COUNTY APPROPRIATIONS RESOLUTION

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County Board Guidance on Particular FY 2010 Budget Adoption Items

1. Budget Stabilization Fund. The Fund's purpose is to manage in FY 2010 the impact of economic changes, including lower revenues, unanticipated consequences of budget reductions or additional safety net requirements. The Fund is not meant, however, to backfill a shortfall for multiple years. The Fund gives management and the Board time to plan for reduced revenue the following year. These funds would normally be used for maintenance capital and other one-time expenses.
2. Gulf Branch Nature Center. Assuming the community raises a minimum of \$10,000, the facility will be open 4½ days rather than the FY 2009 level of 5½ days. Without community fund raising, the Center will only be open 3½ days. The County Manager is authorized to start the program at 4 ½ days. If private funds are not generated by mid-year, the Manager shall present options for program reduction. If private funds are raised above \$10,000, the Manager will present options to enhance Nature Center programs.
3. Lubber Run Performances: Funding will support programming for the summer of 2010.
4. Park Rangers. Staffing will be scheduled (to be determined) to include opportunities for the public use of the caboose in Bluemont Park.
5. Police Department Staff Restoration. One-time funding provides for one-time non-personnel costs to restore the six positions proposed for reduction and to enable the County to access the Federal COPS grant.
6. Fire Department Recruit Class. A recruit class will be started if needed in FY 2010 at a time and size determined by management. Contingency funding provides for start in the 4th quarter of the fiscal year. If a class is needed earlier, additional funds may be allocated from the Budget Stabilization Fund.
7. Fire Department Additional Inspection Staff. The new fire inspection staff will total 4 FTEs rather than 9 in the FY 2010 County Manager's proposed budget, with an equivalent reduction in revenue. Fees will cover 100% of the costs associated with this program.
8. Sheriff Department Restoration. Four positions are funded with restored State revenue.
9. DHS ACT Unit. No additional funds needed at this time. New federal funds of \$298,000 are available to provide full staffing and expanded support through the first half of the fiscal year. In addition there is an opportunity for additional grant funding. The County Board will consider a supplemental appropriation at mid-year if the grant is not renewed.
10. Nuevo Dia Funding. This funding will support residential substance abuse treatment slots with a priority for Spanish speakers.
11. ASPAN Funding. This funding is allocated for one outreach worker for the Latino population and a 0.5 FTE case manager to support programs at Opportunity Place.
12. ART Service Funding. ART Service allocation based only on service cut in proposed budget and does not recapture any savings from WMATA to ART conversions. These and other transportation funds that may be reallocated as necessary will be used to:
 - a. Ensure the effective restructuring of service currently provided by the ART 74, ART 82, and Metrobus 22B in a manner that does not degrade, and which possibly improves, service in the affected area;
 - b. Implement the first phase of improvements on the ART 75, extending service to the Shirlington Transit Center; and
 - c. Extend weekday evening service on the ART 41 to 10:30 p.m.
 A full plan for the implementation of the above will be submitted to the Board prior to the beginning of the fiscal year.
13. Compensation: A one time payment of \$500 for employees can be used to offset health care premium impacts significantly but benefits all employees.
14. CIP - PAYG. One-time and ongoing funding is allocated to increase maintenance capital funding and hire a CIP coordinator whose duties will include the development of the biennial update.
15. Thomas Jefferson. Staff is directed to develop a funding plan for TJ building renovation and field replacement with both as joint projects with the Schools. This project will be funded with bonds.