CITY OF BALTIMORE ORDINANCE **25** -0 7 5 Council Bill 25-0111

Introduced by: The Council President

At the request of: The Administration (Department of Finance)

Introduced and read first time: October 20, 2025 Assigned to: Budget and Appropriations Committee Committee Report: Favorable

Council action: Adopted

Read second time: November 10, 2025

AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING

1 2	Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation – Department of Recreation and Parks – \$5,630,976		
3	FOR the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the		
4	amount of \$5,630,976 to the Department of Recreation and Parks - Service 654 (Urban		
5	Forestry), to provide funding to balance the Department of Recreation and Parks' Fiscal Year		
6	2025 budget for a deficit caused by overtime and unbudgeted contractual costs; and providing		
7	for a special effective date.		
8	BY authority of		
9	Article VI - Board of Estimates		
10	Section 8(b)(2)(iii) and (c)		
11	Baltimore City Charter		
12	(1996 Edition)		
13	Recitals		
14	The revenue appropriated by this Ordinance represents \$5,630,976 in excess of the revenue		
15	relied on by the Board of Estimates in determining the tax levy required to balance the budget for		
16	Fiscal Year 2025.		
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17	This additional revenue could not have been reasonably anticipated when the Ordinance of		
18	Estimates for Fiscal Year 2025 was formulated.		
19	This appropriation is made necessary by a material change in circumstances since the		
20	Ordinance of Estimates for Fiscal Year 2025 was formulated or is for a new program that could		
21	not have been reasonably anticipated when that Ordinance of Estimates was formulated.		
22	On October 15, 2025, the Board of Estimates recommended this appropriation to the City		
23	Council.		

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law. Underlining indicates matter added to the bill by amendment. Strike out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from existing law by amendment.

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1	SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That
2	\$5,630,976 shall be made available to the Department of Recreation and Parks - Service 654
3	(Urban Forestry) as a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation for Fiscal Year
4	2025, to provide funding to balance the Department of Recreation and Parks' Fiscal Year 2025
5	budget for a deficit caused by overtime and unbudgeted contractual costs. The source of revenue
6	for this appropriation is General Fund assigned Fund Balance in excess of the amount from this
7	source that was relied on by the Board of Estimates in determining the tax levy required to
8	balance the budget for Fiscal Year 2025.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That this Ordinance takes effect on the date it is enacted.

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Certified as duly passed this 24th day of November	20 25 Jehr (1)
	President, Baltimore City Council
Certified as duly delivered to His Honor, the Mayor,	
this 25th day of November, 2025	
	Whose Houx
	Chief Clerk
Approved this day of	
	Mayor, Baltimore City
	A TRUE COPY Director of Finance

Approved for Form and Legal Sufficiency, this 26th day of November 2025

Chief Solicitor