



TO: Board of Estimates, Office of Comptroller  
 FROM: AGC2300-BBMR - Bureau of Budget Management Research : AGC4356  
 - M-R Art and Culture  
 DATE: 09/08/2023  
 SUBJECT: FY24 Supplemental Appropriation Request-Baltimore Office of Promotion and the Arts-Restoration of City Council Reduction

**ACTION REQUESTED OF BOARD OF ESTIMATES:**

The Board is requested to approve a Supplemental Appropriation Baltimore Office of Promotion and the Arts.

PERIOD OF CONTRACT/AGREEMENT: 07/01/2023 to 06/30/2024

**AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDS:**

Transaction Amount: \$ 0.00  
 Contract Increase Amount: \$ 0.00 Increase Number:  
 Project Fund Amount  
 1001-CCA000406-SC670701 \$ 581,334.00  
 Supplemental General Fund appropriation for Baltimore Office of Promotion and the Arts  
 1001-RC0045 -\$ 581,334.00  
 Supplemental supported by surplus Transfer Tax revenue

**BACKGROUND/EXPLANATION:**

As part of the Fiscal 2024 budget process, City Council reduced the Ordinance of Estimates by \$581,334 in Service 824: Events, Art, Culture, and Film, which supports the Baltimore Office of Promotion and the Arts (BOPA) budget. City Council Resolution 23-0177R, introduced and adopted on June 14, 2023, detailed concerns regarding the following: 1) BOPA's board governance and structure, 2) operations of the Baltimore Film Office, 3) operations of the Baltimore Arts Council and Public Arts Commission, and 4) BOPA's ability to carry out its mandate to produce events and festivals, administer grants, manage arts education and public art programming, provide film production support, and provide oversight of Baltimore City facilities in its care.

The Administration and City Council have determined marked progress has been made in these areas in the time since 23-0177R was adopted. This supplemental appropriation request will restore funding to BOPA in recognition that BOPA has complied with the requested actions of the City Council.

COUNCIL DISTRICT: Citywide

EMPLOY BALTIMORE: LIVING WAGE: LOCAL HIRING: PREVAILING WAGE:

N/A

N/A

N/A

N/A

1% FOR PUBLIC ART:

N/A.

ENDORSEMENTS:

Finance (BBMR) has reviewed and approved for funds.

*M. Amato*  
Clerk, Board of Estimates

9/6/2023

