



TO: Board of Estimates, Office of Comptroller

FROM: AGC2300-BBMR - Bureau of Budget Management Research : AGC4356
- M-R Art and Culture

DATE: 01/26/2024

Submission #: SB-24-10033

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 Adjustment Order increasing appropriation in the General Fund budget of the Baltimore Office of Promotion and the Arts (BOPA), Service 824: Events, Art, Culture and Film.

**PERIOD OF
CONTRACT/AGREEMENT:**

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Transaction Amount: \$ 0.00

Project Fund	Amount
1001-CCA000406-SC670701	\$ 581,334.00
1001-RC0045	-\$ 581,334.00

BACKGROUND/EXPLANATION:

As part of the Fiscal 2024 budget process, City Council reduced the Ordinance of Estimates by \$1,744,002 in Service 824: Events, Art, Culture, and Film, which supports Baltimore Office of Promotion and the Arts (BOPA) budget. City Council Resolution 23-0177R, introduced 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 is the third supplemental appropriation request that will restore funding to BOPA in recognition that BOPA has complied with the requested actions of City Council. This funding will restore BOPA funding for the 4th quarter of Fiscal 2024.

This supplemental request is supported by a surplus of revenue in the General Fund, specifically in revenue generated from transfer taxes.

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.



Clerk, Board of Estimates

01-24-2024

