

**CITY OF BALTIMORE  
COUNCIL BILL 24-0477  
(First Reader)**

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Introduced by: The Council President

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

Introduced and read first time: January 8, 2024

Assigned to: Finance and Performance Committee

REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Department of Finance, Department of Planning, Department of General Services, Board of Estimates

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**A BILL ENTITLED**

1       AN ORDINANCE concerning

**Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation –  
Department of General Services – \$8,700,000**

4       FOR the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the  
5       amount of \$8,700,000 to the Department of General Services – Service 734 (Capital Projects  
6       Division – Design and Construction), to provide funding for emergency repairs to the  
7       Baltimore Police Department headquarters' parking garage; and providing for a special  
8       effective date.

9       BY authority of

10      Article VI - Board of Estimates  
11      Section 8(b)(2)(iii) and (c)  
12      Baltimore City Charter  
13      (1996 Edition)

**Recitals**

15      The revenue appropriated by this Ordinance represents a general fund surplus generated from  
16      investment earnings in excess of the revenue relied on by the Board of Estimates in determining  
17      the tax levy required to balance the budget for Fiscal Year 2023.

18      This additional revenue could not have been reasonably anticipated when the Ordinance of  
19      Estimates for Fiscal Year 2024 was formulated.

20      This appropriation is made necessary by a material change in circumstances since the  
21      Ordinance of Estimates for Fiscal Year 2024 was formulated or is for a new program that could  
22      not have been reasonably anticipated when that Ordinance of Estimates was formulated.

23      On December 20, 2023, the Board of Estimates recommended this appropriation to the City  
24      Council.

**EXPLANATION: CAPITALS** indicate matter added to existing law.  
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

1                   **SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE**, That  
2   \$8,700,000 shall be made available to the Department of General Services – Service 734 (Capital  
3   Projects Division – Design and Construction) as a Supplementary General Fund Operating  
4   Appropriation for Fiscal Year 2024, to provide funding for emergency repairs to the Baltimore  
5   Police Department headquarters' parking garage. The source of revenue for this appropriation is  
6   the general fund surplus generated from investment earnings 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 2023.

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